## CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL NECESSITY CMS-848 — TRANSCUTANEOUS ELECTRICAL NERVE STIMULATOR (TENS)

SECTION A: Certif	ication Ty	pe/Date: INITIAL//	REVISED// RECERTIFICATION//
PATIENT NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and MEDICARE ID			SUPPLIER NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and NSC or NPI #
() Medicare ID		licare ID	() NSC or NPI #
PLACE OF SERVICE		Supply Item/Service Procedure Code(	
NAME and ADDRESS of FACILITY if applicable (see reverse)			PHYSICIAN NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE and UPIN or NPI #
			() UPIN or NPI #
SECTION B: Inform	ation in tl		eted by the Supplier of the Items/Supplies.
EST. LENGTH OF NEED (# OF MONTHS):         1–99 (99=LIFETIME)         DIAGNOSIS CODES:			
ANSWERS	ANSWER QUESTIONS 1–6 for purchase of TENS (Check Y for Yes, N for No,)		
□Y □N	1. Does the patient have chronic, intractable pain?		
Months	2. How long has the patient had intractable pain? (Enter number of months, 1–99.)		
0 1 0 2 0 3 0 4 0 5	Is the TENS unit being prescribed for any of the following conditions? (Check appropriate number)     1 - Headache    2 - Visceral abdominal pain    3 - Pelvic pain     4 - Temporomandibular joint (TMJ) pain    5 - None of the above		
OY ON	4. Is there documentation in the medical record of multiple medications and/or other therapies that have been tried and failed?		
□Y □N	5. Has the patient received a TENS trial of at least 30 days?		
	6. What is the date that you reevaluated the patient at the end of the trial period?		
NAME OF PERSON ANSWERING SECTION B QUESTIONS, IF OTHER THAN PHYSICIAN (Please Print):  NAME: EMPLOYER:			
SECTION C: Narrati	ve Descri <sub>l</sub>	ption of Equipment and Cost	
(1) Narrative description of all items, accessories and options ordered; (2) Supplier's charge; and (3) Medicare Fee Schedule Allowance for each item, accessory, and option. (see instructions on back)			
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SECTION D: PHYSICIAN Attestation and Signature/Date			
I certify that I am the treating physician identified in Section A of this form. I have received Sections A, B and C of the Certificate of Medical Necessity (including charges for items ordered). Any statement on my letterhead attached hereto, has been reviewed and signed by me. I certify that the medical necessity information in Section B is true, accurate and complete, to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that any falsification, omission, or concealment of material fact in that section may subject me to civil or criminal liability.			
PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE DATE/			
Signature and Date Stamps Are Not Acceptable.			

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL NECESSITY FOR TRANSCUTANEOUS ELECTRICAL NERVE STIMULATOR (TENS) (CMS-848)

SECTION A: (May be completed by the supplier)

CERTIFICATION If this is an initial certification for this patient, indicate this by placing date (MM/DD/YY) needed initially in the space TYPE/DATE: marked "INITIAL." If this is a revised certification (to be completed when the physician changes the order, based on the

patient's changing clinical needs), indicate the initial date needed in the space marked "INITIAL," and indicate the recertification date in the space marked "REVISED." If this is a recertification, indicate the initial date needed in the space marked "INITIAL," and indicate the recertification date in the space marked "RECERTIFICATION." Whether submitting a REVISED or a RECERTIFIED CMN, be sure to always furnish the INITIAL date as well as the REVISED or

RECERTIFICATION date.

PATIFNT Indicate the patient's name, permanent legal address, telephone number and his/her Medicare ID as it appears on his/her

Medicare card and on the claim form.

SUPPLIER Indicate the name of your company (supplier name), address and telephone number along with the Medicare Supplier INFORMATION:

Number assigned to you by the National Supplier Clearinghouse (NSC) or applicable National Provider Identifier (NPI). If using the NPI Number, indicate this by using the qualifier XX followed by the 10-digit number. If using a legacy number,

e.g. NSC number, use the qualifier 1C followed by the 10-digit number. (For example. 1Cxxxxxxxxxxx)

Indicate the place in which the item is being used, i.e., patient's home is 12, skilled nursing facility (SNF) is 31, End PLACE OF SERVICE:

Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) facility is 65, etc. Refer to the DMERC supplier manual for a complete list.

FACILITY NAME: If the place of service is a facility, indicate the name and complete address of the facility.

SUPPLY ITEM/SERVICE List all procedure codes for items ordered. Procedure codes that do not require certification should not be listed

PROCEDURE CODE(S): on the CMN.

INFORMATION:

WEIGHT AND SEX:

PATIENT DOB, HEIGHT, Indicate patient's date of birth (MM/DD/YY) and sex (male or female); height in inches and weight in pounds, if requested.

PHYSICIAN NAME, Indicate the PHYSICIAN'S name and complete mailing address. ADDRESS:

Accurately indicate the treating physician's Unique Physician Identification Number (UPIN) or applicable National **PHYSICIAN** INFORMATION:

Provider Identifier (NPI). If using the NPI Number, indicate this by using the qualifier XX followed by the 10-digit number.

If using UPIN number, use the qualifier 1G followed by the 6-digit number. (For example. 1Gxxxxxx)

Indicate the telephone number where the physician can be contacted (preferably where records would be accessible PHYSICIAN'S pertaining to this patient) if more information is needed. TELEPHONE NO:

**SECTION B:** (May not be completed by the supplier. While this section may be completed by a non-physician clinician, or a

Physician employee, it must be reviewed, and the CMN signed (in Section D) by the treating practitioner.)

EST. LENGTH OF NEED: Indicate the estimated length of need (the length of time the physician expects the patient to require use of the ordered

item) by filling in the appropriate number of months. If the patient will require the item for the duration of his/her life,

then enter "99".

**DIAGNOSIS CODES:** In the first space, list the diagnosis code that represents the primary reason for ordering this item. List any additional

diagnosis codes that would further describe the medical need for the item (up to 4 codes).

QUESTION SECTION: This section is used to gather clinical information to help Medicare determine the medical necessity for the item(s)

being ordered. Answer each question which applies to the items ordered, checking "Y" for yes, "N" for no, or "D" for

If a clinical professional other than the treating physician (e.g., home health nurse, physical therapist, dietician) or a

does not apply.

NAME OF PERSON ANSWERING SECTION B

physician employee answers the questions of Section B, he/she must print his/her name, give his/her professional title QUESTIONS:

and the name of his/her employer where indicated. If the physician is answering the questions, this space may be left blank.

**SECTION C:** (To be completed by the supplier)

**NARRATIVE** Supplier gives (1) a narrative description of the item(s) ordered, as well as all options, accessories, supplies and drugs; **DESCRIPTION OF** (2) the supplier's charge for each item(s), options, accessories, supplies and drugs; and (3) the Medicare fee schedule **EQUIPMENT & COST:** 

allowance for each item(s), options, accessories, supplies and drugs, if applicable.

SECTION D: (To be completed by the physician)

The physician's signature certifies (1) the CMN which he/she is reviewing includes Sections A, B, C and D; (2) the **PHYSICIAN** ATTESTATION:

answers in Section B are correct; and (3) the self-identifying information in Section A is correct.

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE After completion and/or review by the physician of Sections A, B and C, the physician's must sign and date the CMN in AND DATE: Section D, verifying the Attestation appearing in this Section. The physician's signature also certifies the items ordered

are medically necessary for this patient.

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