

# How to bill for temporary physician services.

Weatherby Healthcare's consultants and service professionals are experts at knowing how to bill for temporary physicians so you can utilize the best billing method for capturing every revenue dollar.



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**If you're billing for services in addition to those provided by your on-staff physicians.**

Enroll your temporary physicians using the standard Medicaid and private payer process\* required by your state and insurance carrier.



Medicare contractual arrangement guidelines can be found in section **30.2.7 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual**.<sup>1</sup> Have your temporary physician complete a Medicaid and private career application and **Medicare form 855R**.<sup>2</sup>

\*Billing for Medicaid and private payers varies from state to state and carrier to carrier.

**If you're billing for services replacing those provided by your on-staff physicians.**

Will the replacement physician work more than  
**60 DAYS?**

YES/UNDECIDED

**You can bill Medicare with code modifier Q6** for up to 60 days. If it's possible the services<sup>1</sup> will extend beyond 60 days, then you should start the standard enrollment process now.

NO

**Bill Medicare with code modifier Q6 on the CMS 1500 section 24D.** (There's a chance Medicaid and private payers may still require standard enrollment, so check your state and insurance carrier guidelines.)

**FOLLOW BOTH PROCEDURES SIMULTANEOUSLY.**

Use the locum tenens guidelines given in section **30.2.11 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual**<sup>1</sup> with HCPCS code modifier Q6 instructions.

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