


Matrix for health care provider types*

 Workers' Compensation Division Department of Consumer and Business Services	Attending physician status <i>(primarily responsible for treatment of a patient)</i>	Provides compensable medical services for initial injury or illness	Authorizes payment of temporary disability and releases the patient to work	Establishes impairment findings <i>(permanent disability)</i>	Provides compensable medical services for aggravation of injury or illness
Type A attending physician » Medical doctor » Doctor of osteopathic medicine » Oral and maxillofacial surgeon » Podiatric physician and surgeon	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Type B attending physician » Chiropractic physician » Naturopathic physician	Yes , for a total of 60 consecutive days or 18 visits, from the date of the first visit on the initial claim with any type B attending physician.	Yes , unless the total of 60 consecutive days or 18 visits from the date of the first visit on the initial claim with any type B attending physician has passed. Or, if authorized by an attending physician and under a treatment plan.	Yes , 30 days from the date of the first visit with any type B attending physician on the initial claim, if within the specified 18 visit period.	No , unless the type B attending physician is a chiropractic physician.	No , unless authorized by a type A attending physician and under a written treatment plan.
Type C attending physician » Physician associate	Yes , for a total of 180 consecutive days from the date of the first visit on the initial claim with any physician associate.	Yes , for 180 consecutive days from the date of the first visit to any physician associate on the initial claim. Or, if authorized by an attending physician.	Yes , for 180 days from the date of the first visit with any physician associate on the initial claim.	No	No , unless authorized by a type A attending physician.
Authorized nurse practitioner	No	Yes , for 180 consecutive days from the date of the first visit to any authorized nurse practitioner on the initial claim. Or, if authorized by an attending physician.	Yes , for 180 days from the date of the first visit with any authorized nurse practitioner on the initial claim.	No	No , unless authorized by a type A attending physician.
Emergency room physician	No , if the physician refers the patient to a primary care physician.	Yes	An ER physician who is not authorized to serve as attending physician under ORS 656.005(12)(c) may authorize temporary disability for up to 14 days, including retroactive authorization.	No , if patient referred to a primary care physician.	Yes
"Other Health Care Providers" (e.g., acupuncturist)	No	Yes , for 30 consecutive days or 12 visits from the date of the first visit on the initial claim with any "Other Health Care Providers." Thereafter, services must be provided under a treatment plan and authorized by the attending physician.	No	No	No , unless referred by a type A attending physician and under a written treatment plan.

* This matrix does not apply to managed care organizations.

This matrix is located in: OAR 436-009, Appendix A
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