

Step-by-step guide to navigating the Medicare Local Coverage Determination database



Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy System

How to locate your Medicare contractor's LCDs

- 1 Go to:
<https://www.cms.gov/medicare-coverage-database/>
- 5 Click the “search by type” button

- 2 Once the Medicare Coverage Database (MCD) page opens, click on “local coverage documents” in the “quick search” section

- 3 Select your area from the “select geographic area/region” section

- 4 In the “select one or both” section, enter keywords (title only) and/or CPT®/HCPCS Code
- For this example, insert 97607 for disposable NPWT

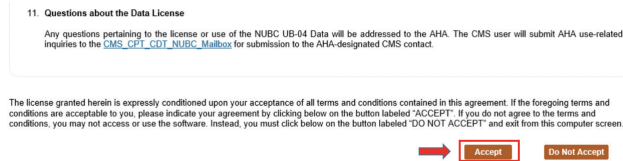
- 6 Your search results will show if your Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) has written any Local Coverage Articles (LCAs) or Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) pertaining to 97607

LCD ID #	TITLE	CONTRACTOR NAME	SELECT
L35125	Wound Care	Novitas Solutions, Inc.	<input type="checkbox"/>

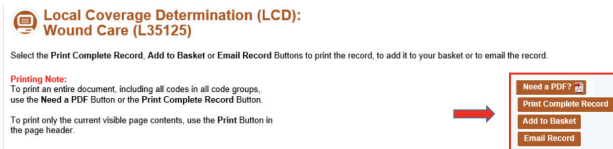
- 7 To view the LCD, click on the LCD number

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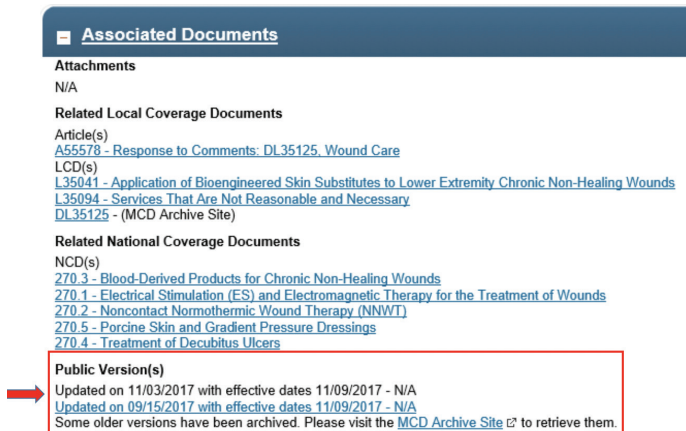
- 8 Review the license page. If you agree, click the “accept” button at the bottom of the page



- 9 The selected LCD will open. **Print and review** the LCD with your wound care team



- 10 Scroll to the next to the last section at the bottom of the LCD to “associated documents”
- If there are attachments, click on the title and the document will open
 - These additional guidelines are very important components of the LCD. Please note, you will also find older versions of the LCD, if they exist



- 11 The selected document will open. **Print and review** these guidelines with your wound care team

Local Coverage Determination (LCD) is a decision by a Medicare Administrative Contactor whether to cover a particular product, procedure, or service in its jurisdictional area in accordance with § 1862 (a)(1) of the Social Security Act. All wound care providers should be knowledgeable about Medicare coverage prior to providing products, procedures, or services to Medicare beneficiaries.

In cases where providers believe Medicare coverage will be denied on reasonable and necessary grounds under Medicare coverage policies, providers should have the patient sign an Advance Beneficiary Notice of Noncoverage (ABN).

This document is provided as a courtesy to assist you in locating the LCDs that are pertinent to your wound care business. Physicians and other qualified healthcare professionals are responsible for identifying, understanding, and complying with all applicable payer requirements. Smith & Nephew is not responsible for errors or changes to the Medicare Coverage Database.

This navigation guide is only intended to assist qualified healthcare professionals and providers in accessing pertinent LCDs through one part of the Medicare Coverage Database (MCD). It is not intended to educate physicians and other qualified healthcare professionals and providers on how to navigate the entire MCD. The “How to Use this Site” section of the online MCD offers multiple ways to locate and view coverage information.

For information about coding for PICO® 7 Single Use Negative Pressure Wound Therapy, contact the **PICO Reimbursement Hotline: 1-888-705-0061**