



The Clinical TMS Society

Insurance Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 12-10-24

Time: 8:00pm EST, 5:00 pm PST

Via Zoom

"Members are reminded to disclose any changes in Conflict of Interest (COI) information since the most recent disclosure and follow all COI policies."

Insurance Committee Roll Call | Attended ☒ | Did Not Attend ☐

Co-Chair	Carlene MacMillan, MD, FCTMSS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Co-Chair	Rachelle Lahn, CRA, BS, MBA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Member	Rich Bermudes, MD, FCTMSS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Member	Mohini Dewkinandan, MBA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Member	Ben Hunter, MD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Member	Todd Hutton, MD, DLFAPA, FCTMSS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Member	Kevin Kinback, MD, FCTMSS	<input type="checkbox"/>	Member	Sarah Parsons, DO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Member	Christina Sherman	<input type="checkbox"/>	Member	Baron Short, MD	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member	Leslie Stephens, MPH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Member	Aron Tendler, MD	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member	Charles Weber, DO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
President	Martha B. Koo, MD, DFAPA, FCTMSS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	President-Elect/VP	Joshua C. Brown, MD, PhD	<input type="checkbox"/>

Guests & Staff

Moderator: Rachelle Lahn, CRA, BS, MBA

Staff: Kami Risk

I. Meeting called to order at 8:04pm (EDT)

II. Reviewed & Approved Meeting Minutes – The committee reviewed the minutes. There was a motion to approve the November minutes, Seconded, Approved. (Attachment #1)

III. Unfinished Business:

- A. Database of policy reviews and new process –
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1BbIY0XRVRqXPKIFdM3CG-kJbt3rLKJxS/edit?gid=783493494#gid=783493494>

Committee members were asked to update the calendar for 2025.

- B. Draft a letter for extending TMS coverage as a member resource – (Attachment #2) – The committee received a summary of the feedback from the Executive Committee concerning the draft letter. A Task Force, consisting of Shelly Lahn, Ben Hunter, and Sarah Parsons, was established to revise the letter and present it to the committee for further review. Furthermore, it was recommended that a maintenance letter should also be developed.

ACTION – Collaborate on revising the letter for the committee to review. (Shelly Lahn, Ben Hunter, Sarah Parsons)



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ACTION – Send editable letter with EC edits to Shelly Lahn. (Executive Office)

- C. New Technology APC for SAINT – An update was provided on the successful reassignment of CPT codes related to targeted, accelerated treatments to a higher-paying category, resulting in increased payments for hospital outpatient services. The meeting was effective, with participation from various stakeholders, including providers and a patient advocacy group. The changes were well-received and are now available for implementation in the hospital outpatient setting.

During the meeting it was clarified that it is applicable only to hospital outpatient settings and not to physician offices. Reimbursement for physician offices using CPT category 3 codes requires individual negotiations with providers and payers. Information about ongoing negotiations and updates will be provided in an upcoming meeting.

- D. New Anthem Policy Regarding 90869 and the collaboration with Clinical Standards Committee – Work continues, and an update will be provided in the new year.
- E. July 1 Coding Changes: MUE change and how to communicate to members.
- a. Insurance Committee Quarterly Update to Members – The quarterly email to members will go out this month with a link to the insurance updates form.
- F. Insurance Coverage for Teen TMS – no update was provided.

IV. Task Force Updates:

- A. Adolescent Task Force – Updates revealed ongoing issues with certain insurers not covering adolescents, while others like Aetna and some Blue Cross plans do. There was a plan to revisit the topic after the New Year, with a suggestion to follow up with insurers at regular intervals.
- B. Accelerated Task Force – no update.
- C. Medicaid Task Force – no update

V. New Business:

- A. “NCCI PTP Edits” process re: Accelerated – the topic was not discussed and should remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

VI. Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 14, 2025 @ 8pm EST / 7pm CST / 5pm PST and Wednesday, January 15, 2025 @ 1am GMT / 12pm AEDT

VII. Meeting adjourned – 8:41pm (EST)