

<p style="text-align: center;">GOLDEN STATE MEDICAL GUIDELINES FOR ISSUING TENS UNITS TO MEDICARE PATIENTS</p>
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INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT

Medicare Primary	Covered at 80%
With Secondary Insurance	In most cases, covered at 100%

REQUIRED PRIOR TO UNIT ISSUE

- A physician's prescription that has been signed by a Doctor of Medicine, a Doctor of Osteopathy, or by a Doctor of Podiatry, subject to State statutes. Medicare will accept dispensing orders from a Nurse Practitioner or a Physician Assistant only if they meet very specific requirements. Contact Golden State Medical and we will review the criteria as set forth by Medicare. Medicare will not accept prescriptions signed by Chiropractors. The prescription must be dated and must include information concerning the patient's diagnosis and specify either a 4-lead TENS unit or a 2-lead TENS unit.
- Fax the patient demographics, the prescription and copies of all insurance cards to Golden State Medical. Our fax number is (530) 885-3631.

UNIT ISSUE PROCESS

Once the above has been received by Golden State Medical and we have verified eligibility:

- Have the patient complete, date and sign the Rental/Purchase Agreement.
- Issue the TENS unit to the patient.
- Return the original prescription if available and the completed Rental/Purchase Agreement to Golden State Medical in the self-addressed envelope provided inside the TENS unit case.

BILLING PROCESS

- Medicare requires that the TENS unit be rented for one or two months.
- Patients who wish to keep their TENS after the rental period must return to their physician for a re-evaluation. Our office will contact the patient to remind them to do this.
- Golden State Medical will submit the required Certificate of Medical Necessity to the referring physician.
- Once a correctly completed Certificate of Medical Necessity has been received, Golden State Medical will process the purchase through Medicare.
- After Medicare purchases the TENS unit, the cost of supplies will be covered by Medicare on a monthly basis.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE GIVE US A CALL AT (800) 696-2900