

# Welch Allyn TAGecg® Extended Continuous Ambulatory ECG Monitoring

2018 REIMBURSEMENT INFORMATION



## CPT® CODING RESOURCE FOR TAGecg EXTENDED CONTINUOUS AMBULATORY ECG MONITORING

**One global code** for recording, scanning and analysis with report, review and interpretation:

<b>Code</b>	0295T
<b>Description</b>	External electrocardiographic recording for more than 48 hours up to 21 days by continuous rhythm recording and storage; <b>includes recording, scanning analysis with report, review and interpretation</b>
<b>Payment*</b>	Contractor priced

**Or individual component codes:**

Code	0296T	0297T	0298T
<b>Description</b>	External electrocardiographic recording for more than 48 hours up to 21 days by continuous rhythm recording and storage; <b>recording (includes connection and initial recording)</b>	External electrocardiographic recording for more than 48 hours up to 21 days by continuous rhythm recording and storage; <b>scanning analysis with report</b>	External electrocardiographic recording for more than 48 hours up to 21 days by continuous rhythm recording and storage; <b>review and interpretation</b>
<b>Payment*</b>	Contractor priced	Contractor priced	Contractor priced

\*CPT Codes 0295T-0298T are Category III codes and are contractor priced. The values and payment are established at the discretion of the contractor and vary nationally. Providers should consult their Medicare Administrative Contractor for physician payment amounts.

### MEDICARE

Specific indications for coverage will be determined by the individual Medicare Contractor and may vary by Medicare Contractors. Providers should refer to their Medicare Contractors for specific coverage and billing guidelines.

### PRIVATE PAYERS

Long-term continuous cardiac rhythm monitoring may be covered by private payers when medically necessary. Coverage guidelines and payment levels vary by payer and specific plans. Providers should contact each specific plan to determine coverage and payment.

### MEDICAID

Long-term continuous cardiac rhythm monitoring may be covered by Medicaid when medically necessary. Coverage guidelines and payment levels vary by Medicaid programs. Providers should contact their state Medicaid program to determine coverage and payment levels.

Accurate and thorough ICD-10-CM diagnosis code(s) can support medical necessity for TAGecg use. Include all appropriate ICD-10 diagnosis codes and supporting clinical documentation. Always check with your local payers and Medicare Administrative Contractor for covered ICD-10 codes, other specific requirements and policy updates.

**The following ICD-10-CM codes and/or ranges may assist in the clinical decision process:**

ICD-10-CM Number	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code/Range	ICD-10-CM Number	ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Code/Range
I45.9	Conduction disorder, unspecified	I49.49	Other premature depolarization
I47.1	Supraventricular tachycardia	I49.5	Sick sinus syndrome
I47.2	Ventricular tachycardia	I49.8	Other specified cardiac arrhythmias
I47.9	Paroxysmal tachycardia	I49.9	Cardiac arrhythmia, unspecified
I48.0, I48.2, I48.92	Atrial flutter	I63.9	Cerebral infarction, unspecified
I49.01	Ventricular fibrillation	R00.1	Bradycardia, unspecified
I49.02	Ventricular flutter	R00.2	Palpitations
I49.40	Unspecified premature depolarization	R42	Dizziness and giddiness (light-headedness)
I49.1	Atrial premature depolarization	R55	Syncope and collapse
I49.3	Ventricular premature depolarization	R56.01	Complex febrile convulsions

Documenting the clinical rationale for prescribing the TAGecg sensor is an important step to support the reimbursement process. The following are suggested documentation considerations for the patient record:

Documentation Element	Suggested Inclusion and Rationale
Frequency of symptom occurrence	Intermittent symptoms—those that occur less frequently than every 48 hours—suggest need for long-term ECG monitoring.
Prior tests, e.g. Holter, 12-lead ECG, etc.	Document why prior test results may be inconclusive or insufficient, and document clinical goal for TAGecg information.
Long-term ECG monitoring duration and rationale	Be specific that long-term (up to 7 days) continuous ECG monitoring duration is indicated, and why.
'Rule in/Rule out' diagnoses and/or suspected diagnostic implications	Document anticipated contribution of TAGecg test results to patient's diagnosis and treatment plan.
Expected level of patient compliance with long-term ECG monitoring	Document expected patient compliance capability with TAGecg testing requirements.

For more information, contact your local Welch Allyn representative or visit [www.welchallyn.com/TAGecg](http://www.welchallyn.com/TAGecg).

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Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Medicare Program: Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for CY 2018, <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeeSched>. Please note: Medicare fee schedule corrections and changes occur periodically.

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