



PET/CT CPT Procedure Codes **Ordering and Pre-Certification Guidelines**

* Please use the appropriate corresponding CPT Procedure Code and write it on the PET/CT Scheduling Form *

CPT Code – 78608 (Brain) PET/CT for Refractory Seizures and Dementia (coverage varies by Insurance/Benefit Plan)

CPT Code – 78609 (Brain) PET/CT for Brain Tumors (coverage varies by Insurance/Benefit Plan)

CPT Code – 78815 (Base of Skull to Mid Thigh)MOST PET/CT SCANS**** PET/CT for Lung CA, Breast CA, Lymphoma, Head and Neck CA, Colorectal, Cervical, Esophageal CA, and Thyroid CA

CPT Code – 78816 (Whole Body – Skull to Heel) PET/CT for Melanoma

CPT Codes For Diagnostic CT's in Addition to PET/CT Procedure

- Order should clearly indicate Diagnostic CT needed on precertification request
- Supporting documentation is Necessary for each Diagnostic CT Procedure
 - CPT Code – 71260: CT Chest with Contrast
 - CPT Code – 74160: CT Abdomen with Contrast
 - CPT Code – 72193: CT Pelvis with Contrast
 - CPT Code – 70491: CT Soft Tissue with Contrast

Notes:

***PET/CT Code 78814: Limited Area**

(Not performed at this time at an RATC PET/CT facility, due to limited application)

****PET coverage varies by Insurance/Benefit Plan**