

## GLOBAL CARE INFORMATION

According to CPT guidelines, for certain procedures, surgical and/or fracture care is bundled as a packaged service. This means that at the time of initial care, a bill is generated that includes a specific period, uncomplicated follow-up office visits. Global periods typically fall into three categories: 0, 10, and 90 days. The periods are determined by the CPT coding rules. We are required to abide by these rules as they are established by the federal government, Medicare, and insurance companies.

**Items that are not included in the global package and thus are additional billable services:**

1. X-rays and/or other imaging studies
2. All cast/splint supplies
3. Any replacement or subsequent cast application
4. The evaluation & treatment of any additional problems or injuries, including conditions that may or may not have been previously reviewed, but are unrelated to the specific surgery of fracture site.
5. The treatment of complications