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LEGAL MEDICINE
Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Code Set

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173000000X Legal Medicine

Taxonomy Code	173000000X
Status	Active
Level	Level II Classification
Short Name	Legal Medicine
Full Name	Legal Medicine
Level I, Provider Grouping	Other Service Providers
Level II, Classification	Legal Medicine
Description	The specialty areas of medicine concerned with matters of, and relations with, substantive law and legal institutions; such as the conduct of medical examinations at crime scenes, performance of autopsies, giving of expert medical testimony in judicial proceedings, medical treatment of inmates of penal institutions, the practice of trauma medicine in law enforcement settings, and other clinical practice and medical science applications in the fields of law, law enforcement, and corrections.
Additional Information	Source: Rhea, Ott, and Shafritz, The Facts On File Dictionary of Health Care Management, New York: Facts On File Publications, 1988.

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