208VP0000X PAIN MEDICINE Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Code Set

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208VP0000X Pain Medicine Physician

Taxonomy Code	208VP0000X
Status	Active
Level	Level III Area of Specialization
Short Name	Pain Medicine
Full Name	Pain Medicine Physician
Level I, Provider Grouping	Allopathic & Osteopathic Physicians
Level II, Classification	Pain Medicine
Description	Pain Medicine is a primary medical specialty based on a distinct body of knowledge and a well-defined scope of clinical practice that is founded on science, research and education. It is concerned with the study of pain, the prevention of pain, and the evaluation, treatment, and rehabilitation of persons in pain. A comprehensive evaluation incorporates the physical, psychological, cognitive and socio-cultural contributions to pain. The treatment protocol may include pharmacological, invasive, behavioral, cognitive, rehabilitative and complementary strategies provided in a concurrent focused and patient specific manner. The pain medicine physician often serves the patient as a frontline physician regarding their pain, but also may serve as a consultant to other physicians, direct an interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary treatment team, conduct research, or advocate for the patient's pain care with public and private agencies. The Pain Medicine physician may work in variety of settings including office, clinic, hospital, university, or governmental/public agencies.
Additional Information	Source: American Academy of Pain Medicine, www.painmed.org Additional Resources: The American Board of Pain Medicine provides Board Certification.

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