

**DENIALS FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY PROCEDURES  
PERFORMED BY LICENSED ACUPUNCURIST  
CALIFORNIA**

No Pay Insurance Company  
1234 Hightail Road  
Moneybucks, CA 91234

Dear Sirs,

I am writing this letter in response to your statement dated (DATE), in which you indicated that "physical therapy is not reimbursable if not actually performed by a licensed acupuncturist."

According to California Business and Professions Code Chapter 12 section 4937, I'd like to call your attention the following:

4937. An acupuncturist's license authorizes the holder thereof:

(a) To engage in the practice of acupuncture.

(b) To perform or prescribe the use of Asian massage, acupressure, breathing techniques, exercise, heat, cold, magnets, nutrition, diet, herbs, plant, animal, and mineral products, and dietary supplements to promote, maintain, and restore health. Nothing in this section prohibits any person who does not possess an acupuncturist's license or another license as a healing arts practitioner from performing, or prescribing the use of any modality listed in this subdivision.

It is very clear that the performance of acupressure was well within the scope of acupuncture. And further the use of 9140 manual therapy would be the code to best describe the service.

I am sure that this matter will be resolved; however, if I do not receive payment for these services within 15 days from the date of this letter, I will seek assistance from the Board of Acupuncture, the legal counsel of the California Oriental Medical Association, and any legal remedy necessary to provide the proper reimbursement which my patient, your insured in entitled to under his/her policy.

Sincerely,