



Attention Urgent Care Centers: Payment Policy Change for Codes S9083 and S9088

We've revised our Non-Covered Codes and Covered Codes, Professional, Reimbursement Policy for UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Massachusetts. Effective April 1, 2019, we'll no longer reimburse certain Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes because they're informational and indicate the type of reimbursement and the place of service instead of the specific service(s) provided. The affected HCPCS codes are:

- **S9083:** Global Fee Urgent Care Center
- **S9088:** Services provided in an urgent care center

What You Need to Know

Instead of billing S9083 or S9088, please bill the applicable CPT® codes for the evaluation and management and/or procedure services you performed. Also, please include a place of service code to report where services were rendered. Charges for S9083 or S9088 billed on a claim will be denied.

Reimbursement Policy

The reimbursement policy for our Medicaid plans is posted on UHCprovider.com > Menu > Policies and Protocols > Community Plan Policies > Reimbursement Policies for Community Plan > [Non-Covered Codes and Covered Codes Policy, Professional – Reimbursement Policy](#). They're listed in alphabetical order. After accepting the Terms and Conditions to view the policy for your state, scroll to the policy you need to view.

Note About Reimbursement Policies

As with all UnitedHealthcare Community Plan policies, other factors affecting reimbursement may supplement, modify or in some cases supersede this policy. These factors include but are not limited to federal and/or state regulatory requirements, physician or other provider contracts, and/or the member's benefit coverage documents.

Unless otherwise noted, these reimbursement policies apply to services reported using the CMS-1500 or its electronic equivalent, or its successor form.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan reimbursement policies don't address all issues related to reimbursement for services rendered to our members, such as the member's benefit plan documents, our medical policies and the UnitedHealthcare Community Plan Administrative Guide or Care Provider Manual. Meeting the terms of a particular reimbursement policy is not a guarantee of payment. Likewise, retirement of a reimbursement policy affects only those system edits associated with the specific policy being retired. Retirement of a reimbursement policy is not a guarantee of payment. Other applicable reimbursement and medical policies and claims edits will continue to apply.

If there's an inconsistency or conflict between the information in this provider notification and the posted policy, the provisions of the posted reimbursement policy prevail. If you have any questions, please contact your health plan representative or call the number on your Provider Remittance Advice/Explanation of Benefits.

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