

Updated Obstetrical Ultrasound Reimbursement Policy: Quantity Limitations – Effective April 1, 2020

Effective April 1, 2020, OB Ultrasounds will be limited through our Obstetrical Ultrasound Policy. The following changes will apply to claims processed on and after April 1, 2020:

- We will allow the first three obstetrical ultrasounds per pregnancy.
- The fourth and subsequent obstetrical ultrasound procedures will only be allowed for members identified as high risk.
- Claims for high risk members must include a diagnosis code from the UnitedHealthcare Community Plan Medicaid ICD-10-CM Detailed Fetal Ultrasound Diagnosis list.

We regularly publish the latest reimbursement policy and coverage updates for UnitedHealthcare Community Plan online. You can find these updates at UHCprovider.com/policies > Community Plan Policies > Reimbursement Policies for Community Plan.

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If you have questions about policy updates, please contact your Network Account Manager or Provider Advocate. Thank you.

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.