

Updated Respiratory Virus Panel Testing Professional and Facility Reimbursement Policy

Effective immediately, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan is changing our Respiratory Viral Panel Testing professional and facility reimbursement policy.

What This Means for You

For claims processed **on or after March 25, 2020**, we're removing place of service limitations for respiratory virus testing coded with **CPT® code 87631**. We will reprocess claim denials related to place of service for CPT code 87631, for dates of service from Sept. 1, 2019 to March 24, 2020. Please note, you don't need to resubmit claims for reconsideration if you've received a denial related to place of service.

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, 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.

Once implemented, the policies may be viewed at UHCprovider.com/policies > Community Plan Policies > [Reimbursement Policies for Community Plan](#). 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.

We're Here to Help

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