Viral Hepatitis Serology Testing Policy, Professional

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Application

This reimbursement policy applies to UnitedHealthcare Community Plan Medicaid Product.

This reimbursement policy applies to services reported using the 1500 Health Insurance Claim Form (a/k/a CMS-1500) or its electronic equivalent or its successor form. This policy applies to all products and all network and non-network physicians and other qualified health care professionals, including, but not limited to, non-network authorized and percent of charge contract physicians and other qualified health care professionals.

Policy

Overview

This policy identifies circumstances in which UnitedHealthcare Community Plan will reimburse physicians or other health care professionals for viral hepatitis serology testing.

Reimbursement Guidelines

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan reimburses for viral hepatitis serology testing (Current Procedural Terminology (CPT ®) codes 81596, 86704, 86705, 86706, 86707, 86708, 86709, 86803, 86804, 87340, 87341, 87350, 87902, 87912, G0472 and G0499 when one of the diagnosis codes listed on a claim indicates the presence of liver disease, liver abnormalities, or testing for these indications during pregnancy or infertility treatment. UnitedHealthcare Community Plan will not reimburse when the test is rendered without inclusion of one of the ICD-10-CM diagnostic codes being included on the claim accurately reflecting the member's condition.

The attached procedure to diagnosis list was first derived by identifying areas of convergence across Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Local Coverage Determinations (LCD).
State Exceptions

Kansas | Kansas is excluded from this policy based on state requirements

Questions and Answers

1. Q: How was this reimbursement methodology derived?
   A: The coding edits are based upon review of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Service's local coverage determinations.

2. Q: To determine reimbursement for reported CPT or HCPCS procedure codes, should ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes be reported at the claim level or claim line level?
   A: Report ICD-10-CM diagnosis codes at the claim line level of the CPT or HCPCS procedure code to be considered for reimbursement.

Attachments: Please right-click on the icon to open the file

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan
Viral Hepatitis Serology Testing ICD-10 List
List of ICD-10 diagnosis codes

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan
Viral Hepatitis Serology Testing CPT List
List of CPT codes

Resources

Individual state Medicaid regulations, manuals & fee schedules
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, CMS Manual System and other CMS publications and services
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System, HCPCS Release and Code Sets

History

11/1/2019 | Annual Anniversary Date and Version Change

7/1/2019 | Title Section Changed. Removed RPOC reference
          Application Section: Removed pathway to policies for other lines of business
          Attachment Section: ICD-10 diagnosis codes list updated

1/1/2019 | Annual Version Change
          Attachment Section: Added CPT Codes List, added code 81596

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