## **Premium Specialty: Pediatrics**

Credentialed Specialties Include: Adolescent Medicine, Pediatric Adolescent, Pediatrics

## Patient Episode Cost

Use this document with the UnitedHealth Premium® Program Methodology document at UnitedHealthPremium.UHC.com. Please review all of the methodology documents to understand the entire Premium methodology.

We evaluate physicians in the Pediatrics Premium specialty using the <u>patient episode cost</u> measurement with the attributed condition-based episodes listed in the following chart.

Attribution methods determine which physicians and groups are responsible for care given to patients. Condition-based episodes are attributed using the cost method: the physician who was responsible for generating the highest percentage of services, based on normalized cost, in the episode. To make sure there was significant involvement, the attributed physician must be responsible for at least 50% of the total normalized cost of the episode.

Please view the Attribution Methods document to learn more.

Condition-Based Episodes
Acne*
Acute Bronchitis
Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome
Acute Sinusitis
Agranulocytosis
AIDS*
Allergic Rhinitis
Anxiety Disorder or Phobias
Arterial Inflammation
Asthma*
Attention Deficit Disorder*
Autism and Child Psychoses
Autoimmune Rheumatologic Diseases, except Lupus*
Bacterial Infection of Skin, Bilateral
Bacterial Infection of Skin, Single Side
Bacterial Lung Infections
Bowel Obstruction
Brain Trauma

Condition-Based Episodes
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Elbow and Upper Arm, Bilateral
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Elbow and Upper Arm, Single Side
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Foot and Ankle, Bilateral
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Foot and Ankle, Single Side
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Hand, Wrist and Forearm, Bilateral
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Hand, Wrist and Forearm, Single Side
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Knee and Lower Leg, Bilateral
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Knee and Lower Leg, Single Side
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Shoulder
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Thigh, Hip and Pelvis
Bursitis and Tendinitis - Unspecified
Cardiovascular Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Celiac Disease
Chromosomal Anomalies
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease*
Chronic Sinusitis
Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
Conditional Exam
Conditions Associated with Menstruation
Congenital and Acquired Anomalies of Ear/Nose/Throat
Congenital Disorders of Central Nervous System
Congenital Disorders of Peripheral Nerves*
Conjunctivitis, Bilateral
Conjunctivitis, Single Side
Contact Dermatitis, Bilateral
Contact Dermatitis, Single Side
Contraceptive Management
Dehydration
Dermatological Signs and Symptoms

Condition-Based Episodes
Development Disorder
Diabetes*
Eating Disorder
Endocrine Disease Signs and Symptoms*
Environmental Trauma
Epilepsy*
External Eye Infection, except Conjunctivitis, Bilateral
External Eye Infection, except Conjunctivitis, Single Side
Female Sex Gland Disorders
Fungal Skin Infection
Gastritis and/or Duodenitis
Gastroenterology Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Gynecological Signs and Symptoms
Hearing Disorders, Bilateral
Hearing Disorders, Single Side
Hemorrhoids
Hepatology Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Hereditary and Degenerative Diseases of Central Nervous System, Other
Hernias, except Hiatal, Bilateral
Hernias, except Hiatal, Single Side
HIV Sero-Positive without AIDS*
Hyper-Functioning Adrenal Gland*
Hyper-Functioning Parathyroid Gland
Hyperlipidemia, Other*
Hypertension
Hypo-Functioning Parathyroid Gland*
Hypo-Functioning Thyroid Gland*
Immunodeficiencies*
Infection of Lower Genitourinary System, Not Sexually Transmitted

Condition-Based Episodes
Infection of Stomach and Esophagus
Infection of Upper Genitourinary System
Infection of Vagina, except Monilial
Infections of Oral Cavity
Infectious Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Inflammation of Central Nervous System, Other
Inflammation of Cranial Nerves
Inflammation of Esophagus
Inflammation of Genitourinary System, except Kidney Stones
Inflammation of Non-Cranial Nerves, except Carpal Tunnel
Inflammation of Oral Cavity
Inflammation of Rectum or Anus
Inflammatory Bowel Disease*
Inflammatory Condition of Female Genital Tract, except Endometriosis
Inflammatory Eye Disease*
Iron Deficiency Anemia
Irritable Bowel Syndrome*
Kidney Stones
Low Back Pain Syndrome
Male Sex Gland Disorders*
Malignant Neoplasm of Central Nervous System
Malignant Neoplasm of Thyroid Gland
Migraine Headache*
Minor Infectious Pulmonary Diseases, Other than Acute Bronchitis
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Back
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Elbow and Upper Arm
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Foot and Ankle, Bilateral
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Foot and Ankle, Single Side
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Hand, Wrist and Forearm, Bilateral

Condition-Based Episodes
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Hand, Wrist and Forearm, Single Side
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Knee and Lower Leg
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Neck
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Shoulder
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Thigh, Hip and Pelvis, Bilateral
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Thigh, Hip and Pelvis, Single Side
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Trunk
Minor Orthopedic Trauma - Unspecified
Monilial Infection of Vagina (Yeast)
Mood Disorder, Depressed*
Multiple Sclerosis*
Nephrology Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Neurological Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Non-Malignant Neoplasm of Breast
Non-Malignant Neoplasm of Female Genital Tract
Non-Malignant Neoplasm of Pituitary Gland*
Non-Malignant Neoplasm of Skin
Non-Malignant Neoplasm of Skin, with Surgery, Bilateral
Non-Malignant Neoplasm of Skin, with Surgery, Single Side
Non-Malignant Neoplasm of Thyroid Gland
Non-Toxic Goiter
Nutritional Deficiency
Obesity
Obstructive Sleep Apnea
Occupational and Environmental Pulmonary Diseases
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Back
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Elbow and Upper Arm
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Foot and Ankle
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Hand, Wrist and Forearm

Condition-Based Episodes
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Knee and Lower Leg
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Neck
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Shoulder
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Thigh, Hip and Pelvis
Orthopedic Signs and Symptoms - Unspecified
Other and Unspecified Diseases and Disorders of Eye and Adnexa
Other Conduction Disorders
Other Diseases and Disorders of Rectum and Anus
Other Diseases of Female Genital Tract
Other Diseases of Thyroid Gland
Other Diseases of Veins
Other Disorders of Breast
Other Infections of Ear/Nose/Throat
Other Infectious Diseases
Other Inflammation of Intestines and Abdomen
Other Inflammation of Skin*
Other Inflammatory Conditions of Ear/Nose/Throat
Other Inflammatory Lung Diseases*
Other Metabolic Disorders*
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Back
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Elbow and Upper Arm
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Foot and Ankle
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Hand, Wrist and Forearm
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Knee and Lower Leg
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Neck
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Shoulder
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Thigh, Hip and Pelvis
Other Minor Orthopedic Disorders - Unspecified
Other Neonatal Disorders, Perinatal Origin

Condition-Based Episodes
Other Skin Disorders
Other Sleep Disorders*
Otitis Media, Bilateral
Otitis Media, Single Side
Otolaryngology Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Parasitic Skin Infection*
Psoriasis*
Psychosexual Disorder
Pulmonary Tuberculosis*
Pulmonology Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Routine Exam
Septicemia
Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Disseminated
Sexually Transmitted Diseases, Primary
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Elbow and Upper Arm
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Foot and Ankle, Bilateral
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Foot and Ankle, Single Side
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Hand and Forearm, Bilateral
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Hand and Forearm, Single Side
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Head and Face
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Hip and Thigh
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Lower Leg
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Other
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Shoulder
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Trunk, Bilateral
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Trunk, Single Side
Skin Trauma, except Burn and Open Wound - Unspecified
Thrombocytopenia*
Tonsillitis, Adenoiditis or Pharyngitis

Condition-Based Episodes
Trauma of Eye, Bilateral
Trauma of Eye, Single Side
Ulcer
Uncomplicated Neonatal Management
Urinary Incontinence*
Urological Diseases Signs and Symptoms
Valvular Disorder
Viral Pneumonia
Viral Skin Infection
Visual Disturbances, Bilateral
Visual Disturbances, Single Side

<sup>\*</sup>Episodes for these conditions are excluded from patient episode cost measurement for patients whose pharmacy cost data isn't available.

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