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**Nucleic acid sexually transmitted diseases laboratory panel reimbursement policy update effective May 18, 2020**

We routinely review our coverage, reimbursement, and administrative policies for potential updates. In that review, we take into consideration

one or more of the following: evidence-based medicine, professional society recommendations, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

(CMS) guidance, industry standards, and our other existing policies.

As a result of a recent review, we will rebundle Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) codes used to bill for individual tests that comprise

a Nucleic Acid Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) laboratory panel into a single panel code. Accordingly, the claim will be processed and

reimbursed using the CPT panel code. The Genetic Testing Panels Reimbursement Policy (R28) includes a list of current CPT panel codes.

This update is effective for claims processed on or after May 18, 2020.

Additional information

For more information about our policies, please visit the Cigna for Health Care Professionals website at CignaforHCP.com (Resources >

Coverage Policies > Policy Updates).