**Reimbursement and coverage policy updates, effective October 2019**

In October 2019, we will implement the following new reimbursement policy:

• Evaluation and Management (R30): We will implement a new reimbursement policy and deny claims billed with Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) consultation codes as not

valid. This policy is effective for claims processed beginning October 19, 2019.

We will also implement the following new medical coverage policies:

• Scrotal Ultrasound (0548) and Head and Neck Ultrasound (0549): We will implement two new medical coverage policies to review procedures for medical necessity. The policies are

effective for dates of services beginning October 21, 2019.

• Angioplasty (Extracranial, Intracranial) and Endoluminal Flow Diverting Stents (0545):

We will implement a new medical coverage policy to require precertification. We will review for both medical necessity and the appropriate level of care. This policy is effective for dates

of services beginning October 25, 2019.

• Implantable Electrocardiographic Event Monitors (0547): We will implement a new medical coverage policy to review the use monitors for medical necessity. This policy is

effective for dates of services beginning October 25, 2019.

An article about the policy updates will be included in the October 2019 Network News.