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March 2022 policy and protocol updates overview

Your notice of protocol and policy changes from UnitedHealthcare

Appendix Bulletins

Medical policy updates: March 2022

~~This month, you'll find updates for Medicaid, Medicare Advantage, Exchange and commercial plans.~~

Reimbursement policy updates: March 2022

~~This month, you'll find updates for commercial plans.~~

Specialty Medical Injectable Drug program updates: March 2022

~~See the latest updates to requirements for Specialty Medical Injectable Drugs for UnitedHealthcare members.~~

State news

Arizona Medicaid: Explore trauma-informed care delivery resources

~~Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) requires participating health care professionals who treat Arizona Medicaid patients to take a trauma-informed approach to help ensure patient health and safety.~~

New Jersey Medicaid: Avoid denials when submitting multiple birth claims

~~Effective Dec. 1, 2021, multiple birth claims must be submitted with a valid condition code to be reimbursed.~~

Ohio: New resources to support care for diabetes patients

~~UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Ohio has collaborated with several Medicaid managed care organizations to create a new online tool to help improve the lives of your patients who have been diagnosed with diabetes.~~

Updates to claim payments

Electronic payments required for claim payments starting June 1, 2022

~~Effective June 1, 2022, in accordance with your contractual agreement that you do business with us electronically, UnitedHealthcare is no longer sending paper checks for claim payments.~~

Policy plan and program changes

Policy, plan and program changes

See important home health review process changes

~~Starting June 1, 2022, for UnitedHealthcare[®] Medicare Advantage and Dual Special Needs Plans (D-SNP), you'll need to request prior authorization for all visits after the start of care visit (SOC).~~

Radiology and cardiology CPT[®] codes added to prior authorization and notification list

~~Effective June 1, 2022, procedure codes will be updated for the radiology notification and prior authorization and cardiology prior authorization programs for UnitedHealthcare Community Plan, commercial and Exchange plans.~~

New radiation therapy prior authorization requirements

~~Effective June 7, 2022, prior authorization will be required and managed by Optum for the certain outpatient radiation therapies.~~

See coverage changes for prenatal ultrasounds


~~Starting June 1, 2022, we'll cover up to 3 prenatal ultrasounds that aren't associated with a high-risk diagnosis for CPT[®] codes 76801, 76802, 76805, 76810, 76811, 76812, 76813, 76814, 76815, 76816 and 76817 for UnitedHealthcare commercial members.~~

Training and resources

Access facility coding courses to help decrease the potential for claim denials

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