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To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: February 14, 2019

Subject: Update: 2019 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Codes

Summary: Important information regarding the 2019 HCPCS Codes and reimbursement rates for physician administered drugs and payable vaccines

The Louisiana Medicaid procedure file has been updated to reflect the new and deleted procedure codes effective for dates of service beginning January 1, 2019. The applicable fee-for-service fee schedules have also been updated and are published on the Louisiana Medicaid website, www.lamedicaid.com.

Louisiana Medicaid also updated the reimbursement rates for physician-administered drugs and payable vaccines in the physician office setting to align with the Medicare 2019 Average Sales Price (ASP) drug rate or wholesale acquisition cost. The rate changes are reflected on the Professional Services, Take Charge Plus and applicable Immunization fee schedules and are effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2019.

What do you need to do?

AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana is working on making these updates in our system. Providers do not need to take action. Claims denied due to these updates will be automatically reprocessed. Claims with physician-administered drugs and payable vaccines in the physician office setting that were paid prior to the rate changes will be reprocessed to pay according to the new rates.

Questions:

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the care of our members. If you have questions about this communication, please contact AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana's Provider Services department at 1-888-922-0007 or your Provider Network Management Account Executive.

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