

## July 2017 Third Quarter NCCI Updates

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**Note:** *Texas Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) must provide all medically necessary, Medicaid-covered services to eligible clients. Administrative procedures such as prior authorization, pre-certification, referrals, and claims/encounter data filing may differ from traditional Medicaid (fee-for-service) and from MCO to MCO. Providers should contact the client's specific MCO for details.*

On July 29, 2017, the third quarter 2017 National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) updates will be implemented for claims processed by TMHP for Texas Medicaid and the Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Services Program.

Providers may refer to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website at [www.medicare.gov/medicaid/program-integrity/ncci/index.html](http://www.medicare.gov/medicaid/program-integrity/ncci/index.html) for the updated Medicaid NCCI rules, relationships, and general information. A link to the CMS Medicaid NCCI website is also available through this website on the [Code Updates – NCCI Compliance web page](#).

Providers are encouraged to monitor the CMS website regularly for updates to the Medicaid NCCI rules and guidelines.

Claims processed by TMHP from July 1, 2017, through July 29, 2017, that were affected by the CMS effective date of the NCCI third quarter changes, will be reprocessed. Payments may decrease for NCCI code pairs or Medically Unlikely Edits (MUEs) that have been added, or payments may be increased for NCCI code pairs or MUEs that have been deleted.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126 or the TMHP-CSHCN Services Program Contact Center at 1-800-568-2413.