October 2019 Fourth Quarter NCCI Updates for Texas Medicaid

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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.

Effective October 1, 2019, the fourth quarter 2019 National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) updates will be implemented for claims processed by TMHP for Texas Medicaid.

Providers can refer to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website the updated Medicaid NCCI rules, relationships, and general information. A link to the CMS Medicaid NCCI website is also available on the Code Updates – NCCI Compliance web page on the TMHP website.

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

Current Limitation to Remain in Effect

Procedure code D1510, which was identified in the CMS fourth quarter NCCI updates, will continue to be processed according to current limitations.

Contraceptive Procedure Codes J7303 and J7304

Effective July 1, 2019, for claims processed on or after January 1, 2019, procedure codes J7303 and J7304 are subject to the following NCCI Medically Unlikely Edit (MUE) limitations:

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Claims for quantities within the above listed MUE limitations, submitted January 1, 2019, through June 30, 2019, might have denied with explanation of
benefits 05103, “The maximum number of units allowed has been exceeded. Refer to TexMedConnect Claims Status Inquiry (CSI) for details.”

Affected claims will be reprocessed and providers may receive additional payment, which will be reflected on future Remittance and Status Reports.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 800-925-9126.