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Announcement 1240

Attention Provider Types 20, 24 and 77: Correct Rates Restored for Procedure Code 19296

The rates for Current Procedural Terminology Code (CPT) code 19296 (Placement of radiotherapy afterloading expandable catheter into the breast for interstitial radioelement application following partial mastectomy) have been restored for provider types (PT) 20, 24 and 77 to the rates in effect before July 1, 2015. Rates for CPT code 19296 are not included in the new rate methodology for CPT codes that went into effect July 1, 2015, and were changed in error.

PT 20 can bill CPT code 19296 with modifiers 22, 50, 54, 55, 56 and 62. PTs 24 and 77 can bill CPT code 19296 with modifiers 22, 50, 54, 55 and 56.

Claims submitted by PTs 20, 24 and 77 for CPT code 19296 with dates of service on or after July 1, 2015, through October 2, 2016, that paid the incorrect rate will be automatically reprocessed. Results of the reprocessed claims will appear on a future remittance advice.