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Web Announcement 2955

Monkeypox: Nevada Medicaid Opens Monkeypox Testing and Vaccine Administration Codes for Billing

Update to [Web Announcement 2893](#): Effective December 5, 2022, Nevada Medicaid has entered the following monkeypox testing and vaccine Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes in the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS). Providers may bill the following procedure codes on claims with dates of service on or after July 26, 2022:

- Procedure code 87593: Infectious agent detection by nucleic acid (DNA or RNA); orthopoxvirus [e.g. monkeypox virus, cowpox virus, vaccinia virus], amplified probe technique.
- Procedure code 90611: Smallpox and monkeypox vaccine, attenuated vaccine virus, live, non-replicating, preservation free, .05mL dosage, suspension for subcutaneous use.
 - There is no reimbursement for the vaccine itself as it is provided by the federal government.
 - Providers will bill vaccine CPT code 90611 with National Drug Code (NDC) billed at \$0.01.
 - Providers will bill the vaccine administration code with usual and customary charge.

No prior authorization is required for the above procedure codes.

Monkeypox testing and vaccine administration will be reimbursed based upon current Nevada Medicaid State Plan methodology.

Any claims for the above procedure codes that denied because the codes were not in the system for the appropriate provider types may be reprocessed automatically at a later date, if needed. Results of any reprocessed claims will appear on a future remittance advice. When claims are reprocessed, please be aware that all system and clinical claim editor edits are applicable. As a result, there may be no additional payment, and other claim denials may be received. Providers have the right to appeal denied claims, including those denied upon reprocessing. Please refer to [Medicaid Services Manual Chapter 100](#) and the [Billing Manual](#) for information concerning the claim appeal process and time frames.

Per the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), existing CPT vaccine administration codes (90460, 90461, 90472) should be used to report the administration of the vaccine product described by code 90611, depending on the age of the patient and the administration(s) provided during the visit.

Testing code 87593 has been opened for:

- PT 12 Hospital, Outpatient
- PT 43 Laboratory

The existing vaccine administration codes were previously open for billing by some provider types (PTs); however, they are now open for additional provider types who can vaccinate.

Vaccine administration codes 90460 and 90461 have been opened for:

- PT 17 Special Clinics
 - specialty 166 Family Planning
 - specialty 179 School Based Health Centers (SBHC)
 - specialty 198 Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)

Vaccine administration code 90472 has been opened for:

- PT 17 Special Clinics
 - specialty 198 Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)