
PROVIDER UPDATE No. 125

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TO: Providers

FROM: CalOptima Provider Network Management

SUBJECT: Procedure Code Updates

Based on the Medi-Cal bulletins and Newsflashes, CalOptima has updated the procedure codes for the subjects listed below:

- New COVID-19 Testing Codes are Medi-Cal Benefits
- 2021 CPT® Annual Update
- Psychiatric Collaborative Care Management is a New Benefit
- Skin Substitute Now a Medi-Cal Benefit
- Medicare Denial Requirement Eliminated for Certain Abortion CPT® Codes
- Updated Policy for Ventricular Assist Devices
- Infectious Agent Antigen Detection by Immunoassay Reimbursement Rate
- New Benefit for COVID-19 Detection
- Rates Are Updated for CPT COVID-19 Testing Codes 87636, 87637 and 87811

For detailed information regarding these changes, please refer to the December General Medicine bulletin 558, <https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/bulletins/artfull/gm202012.aspx>, December 17, 2020 Newsflash, https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/newsroom/newsroom_30717_11.aspx, December 14, 2020 Newsflash, https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/newsroom/newsroom_30717_09.aspx, and December 8, 2020 Newsflash, https://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/newsroom/newsroom_30717_07.aspx.

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