

February 1, 2019

Re: Professional Reimbursement Policy Change and supporting claims editing notification for CMS-1500 submitters

Dear Provider:

Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield and our subsidiary company, HMO Nevada (Anthem), is writing to inform you of updated reimbursement policies, and to document the new and/or updated rules and edits in our ClaimsXten editing software.

Injectable Substances with Related Injection Services – Professional

Beginning with dates of service on or after May 1, 2019, Anthem is updating our *Injectable Substances with Related Injection Services* reimbursement policy. The update will reflect that when a claim for an injection service is submitted without the applicable Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS Level II) drug or injectable substance code for the injected drug or substance, the code for the injection service will not be eligible for reimbursement.

Additionally, when submitting a claim for an aspiration service, with or without an injection, be sure to include code J3590 (*unclassified biologics*) with a zero charge to indicate the biologic contents of the syringe after aspiration, or the service will not be eligible for reimbursement.

For additional information, review our updated policy dated May 1, 2019, available online. Reimbursement Policy – Professional: [Injectable Substances with Related Injection Services - Nevada](#).

Reimbursement Policies are available online

Go to [anthem.com](#), select **Providers**, then **Providers Overview**. Select **Find Resources for Your State**, and pick **Nevada**. From the **Answers@Anthem** tab, select the [Reimbursement Policies - Facility](#) or [Reimbursement Policies - Professional](#) link. Then search for the Policy you would like to view.

Clear Claim Connection

On the date the new edit becomes effective, Clear Claim Connection, our web-based editing tool, will be updated to incorporate the new editing rules outlined above and will include an interface that will allow you to view the clinical rationale for the edit when you enter claim scenarios. If you have not used Clear Claim Connection previously, we would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to access this user-friendly tool to explore the ClaimsXten edits. Clear Claim Connection is located on the Availity Portal. Log into [Availity.com](#). Once logged in, select **Payer Spaces**, and choose the **Anthem icon**. Under **Applications**, select **Clear Claim Connection**.

Thank you for your attention to this update. We value and appreciate you as our partner in providing quality care. If you have any questions, please call your Provider Solutions representative. We appreciate your continued participation in our network.

Sincerely,



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