

Billing Outpatient Home Health Codes

Certain Billing Codes Are Limited to Submission

Using the CMS 1500 Form or Electronic Equivalent

Care providers are required to use the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) 1500 form, or electronic equivalent, when billing UnitedHealthcare Community Plan in Texas home health services. Some home health agencies had been incorrectly billing these codes, along with their inpatient claims, on a UB-04 form. We're reviewing previously processed claims and will recover payments made when the codes were submitted using a UB-04 form.

What This Means for You

On **Nov. 12, 2019**, we updated our claims processing system to deny the following codes if billed on a UB-04:

- **G0156:** Home health skilled nursing delivered by a home health aide
- **G0162:** Skilled services by registered nurse (RN) for management and evaluation of the plan of care
- **G0299:** Home health skilled nursing delivered by a RN
- **G0300:** Home health skilled nursing delivered by a licensed practical nurse (LPN)
- **H2015:** Comprehensive community support services
- **S9123:** STAR+PLUS waiver skilled nursing by RN
- **S9124:** STAR+PLUS waiver skilled nursing by licensed professional counselor (LPC)
- **S9128:** STAR+PLUS waiver in-home speech therapy
- **S9129:** STAR+PLUS waiver in-home occupational therapy
- **S9131:** STAR+PLUS waiver in-home physical therapy
- **T1000:** Private duty nursing service
- **T1001:** Nursing assessment/evaluation
- **T1005:** Respite care services
- **T2017:** Habilitation, residential, waiver

Reviewing Claims

We're also looking at processed claims starting with dates of service on **Jan. 1, 2019**. If we made payments when the identified codes were submitted on a UB-04, we'll be following up with care providers to recover those payments. We'll send a letter with instructions for claims that we identify as having been paid incorrectly.

We're Here to Help

If you have questions, please contact your Physician Advocate or call us at **888-887-9003** from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday. Thank you.