Important Provider Notice

HIGHMARK WHOLECARE

August 1, 2025

PA Medicare Policy Updates Effective September 1, 2025

An Update for Medicare Providers and Clinicians

Annually Reviewed Medical Policies with Changes

MP-100-MC-PA Controlled Substance Monitoring and Drugs of Abuse Testing (L35006)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated the CMS hyperlinks and 'Reference Sources' section. The following ICD-10-CM codes have been deleted and therefore have been removed: M5136 and M5137 in Groups 1 and 2. The following ICD-10-CM codes have been added: M51360, M51361, M51362, M51369, M51370, M51371, M51372, M51379 and R41.85.

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