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PA Medicare Policy Updates Effective August 1, 2024

An Update for Medicare Providers and Clinicians

Annually Reviewed Medical Policies with Changes

MP-099-MC-PA Electrocardiographic (EKG or ECG) Monitoring (Holter or Real-Time Monitoring) (L34636)

No change to clinical criteria. Updated CMS hyperlinks. Under ICD-10-CM Codes, Group 1, 2, and 3 the following codes were deleted: I20.8, I24.8, and I47.1. The following codes were added in these groups: I20.81, I20.89, I24.81, I24.89, I47.10, I47.11, I47.19, per CMS guidance.

MP-067-MC-PA Peripheral Venous Ultrasound (L35451)

The medical policy title changed from "Non-Invasive Peripheral Venous Studies (L35451)" to "Peripheral Venous Ultrasound (L35341)". Removed the following CPT codes: 98985 and 93986. Removed the following ICD-10 codes: 174.9, 187.001, 187.002, 187.003, 187.301, 187.302, 187.303, 196, 196.00,

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MP-075-MC-PA Ambulance Services (Air)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated 'Reference Sources' section.

MP-036-MC-PA Chromosomal Microarray Analysis: Comparative Genomic Hybridization (CGH) and Single Nucleotide Polymorphism (SNP)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated 'Summary of Literature' and 'Reference Sources'

MP-080-MC-PA Cosmetic and Reconstructive Surgery (L35090)

No changes to clinical criteria. Updated 'Reference Sources' section.

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