Midlevel Health Professional Reimbursement

The following update is for Midlevel Health Professional Practitioners defined for purposes of this update as: Certified Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Certified Nurse Midwives and Clinical Nurse Specialists. Anthem is pleased to announce that, effective for services provided on or after July 1, 2004, the allowable Indiana Health Service Area (HSA) Midlevel Health Professional Practitioners’ Fee Schedule for the Blue Traditional®, Blue Access℠ and Blue Preferred® product lines has been updated to the following:

- 100% of the Indiana Health Service Area Physician Fee Schedule will be applied for Midlevel Health Professional providers who bill Radiology (70010 – 79999), Pathology and Lab (80048 – 89399), Immunizations (90281-90799), and Level II HCPC codes (A0021-A9999,B4034-B9999, C1010-C9711, D0120-D9999, EE0100-E2599, G0001-G9016, J0120–J9999, K0001-K0620, L0100-L9900, P2028-P9615, Q0035- Q4077, R0070-R0076, and S0012-S9999)
- All other codes including the Category III CPT codes are at 85% of the Indiana Health Service Area Physician Fee Schedule.
- Certified First Surgical Assistants will be compensated at 10% of the Indiana HSA Physician fee Schedule.

Payments are made according to the policyholder's Health Benefit Plan and Anthem guidelines, such as clinical edits, utilization/medical review guidelines, Anthem reimbursement policies and medical policies. The amount that Anthem will pay for Covered Services is generally based on the maximum allowable amount. The maximum allowable amount includes deductibles, co-payments, and coinsurance. The maximum allowable amount is the lesser of (a) billed charges or (b) the charge listed in Anthem’s professional fee schedule for that covered service.

Please note that these fee schedule amounts apply only to covered services provided by a midlevel health care professional practitioner as specified above. They do not apply to covered services provided by any other professional provider.

Please note that the above fee schedule changes do not apply to midlevel health care professionals that are managed by Kentucky and Ohio Anthem HSA’s. Indiana counties managed by Kentucky are: Washington, Crawford, Harrison, Floyd, Clark, Scott and Jefferson. Indiana counties managed by Ohio are: Union, Franklin, Ripley, Dearborn and Switzerland.

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