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Corrected Payment Reduction Policy – Emergency Department (ED) Evaluation and Management, Facility

Dear Provider,

Effective **October 1, 2025**, the Emergency Department Evaluation and Management, Facility policy was updated to correct the reimbursement of ED services. This includes correct coding for ED services and payment rules for the services provided during an ED visit.

The correct revenue code must be used for appropriate reimbursement.

- 450 - general
- 451 – EMTALA emergency medical screening services
- 452 – ER services beyond EMTALA screening
- 456 – urgent care
- 459 - other

Payment for drugs and supplies used in conjunction with an ED visit are included in the flat rate payment. The following revenue codes identified as drugs/supplies will be denied as they are inclusive:

Revenue Code	Description
250	General Pharmacy
251	Generic drugs
252	Non-generic drugs
253	Take-home drugs
254	Drugs incident to other diagnostic services
255	Drugs incident to radiology
257	Nonprescription
258	IV solutions
259	Other pharmacy
260	IV therapy -general
261	Infusion Pump
262	IV therapy/pharmacy services
263	IV therapy/drug /supply delivery
279	Other supplies devices



343	Diagnostic radiopharmaceuticals
344	Therapeutic radiopharmaceuticals
264	IV therapy/supplies
273	Take home supplies
621	Supplies incident to radiology
622	Supplies incident to other diagnostic services
623	Surgical dressing
631	Single source drug
632	Multiple source drugs
633	Restrictive prescription
636	Drugs requiring detailed coding
637	Self-administered drugs

For full policy details, including billing guidelines and reimbursement methodology please refer to the [Emergency Department ED Facility Policy](#) available on our website.

Questions:

If you have questions about this communication, please contact your Provider Account Executive or Provider Services at 1-855-707-5818

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