

PROVIDER BULLETIN

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TO: All Providers Participating in Nebraska Medicaid
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RE: Radiopharmaceutical and Contrast Material Billing

Please share this information with Administrative, Billing, IT Staff and Trading Partners.

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide clarification on the requirements for billing Radiopharmaceuticals and Contrast Material.

This replaces Provider Bulletin No. 12-11 (February 22, 2012).

RADIOPHARMACEUTICALS:

Federal law requires Medicaid programs to collect rebates on all claims for out-patient drugs. Radiopharmaceuticals are considered covered out-patient drugs. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is working with manufacturers to place their products on the Medicaid Drug Rebate file. Nebraska Medicaid will provide billing instructions when CMS has completed their work.

Radiopharmaceuticals should be billed under revenue code 34X. Until further direction is provided by CMS, claims submitted for radiopharmaceuticals with HCPCS codes and HCPCS units *do not* require submission of the National Drug Code (NDC) and NDC units.

CONTRAST MATERIALS:

Contrast materials are considered covered out-patient drugs. These products are on the Medicaid Drug Rebate file and Nebraska is required to collect rebates for these claims.

Contrast material should be billed under revenue code 25X. To support this requirement, submission of the HCPCS code and HCPCS units along with the NDC code and NDC units is **required**. In addition, only those drugs manufactured by companies (labelers) participating in the federal Medicaid rebate program are reimbursable under Medicaid.

Questions on this provider bulletin should be submitted to dhhs.medicaidpharmacyunit@nebraska.gov.