interChange Provider Important Message

Attention: Outpatient Hospital Providers

Monkeypox Testing and Vaccines in the Outpatient Hospital Setting

Monkeypox laboratory testing (procedure code 87593) is effective for dates of service October 1, 2022, and forward. Outpatient hospitals should refer to <u>PB</u> <u>22-70</u> for further information regarding procedure code 87593.

Monkeypox testing (procedure code 87593) and monkeypox vaccinations (procedure code 90622 and 90611) should only be billed to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program when the tests and vaccinations are commercially purchased. If the test and/or vaccines are obtained free of charge they should not be billed to the CMAP. Outpatient hospital must continue to refer to CMAP Addendum B for any vaccine updates.

There is not a valid separate vaccine administration procedure code for the monkeypox vaccination. Providers cannot use any of the existing vaccine administration procedure codes found on any of the CMAP fee schedules to bill for the administration of the monkeypox vaccine. Further, if the monkeypox vaccine is administered during an evaluation/management (E/M) visit, the reimbursement for the administration of the vaccine is considered part of the overall E/M reimbursement.

Providers must continue to monitor the CMAP Web site for additional guidance related to diagnostic testing and vaccinations for the monkeypox virus. Additionally, providers are responsible for monitoring and complying with all applicable CT DPH requirements and guidance, which are subject to change at any time.

