

Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Policy Transmittal 2021-54

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- TO: Physicians, Podiatrists, Physician Assistants, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and Certified Nurse Midwives
- RE: 1. Quarterly HIPAA Compliant Update Physician Office and Outpatient Fee Schedule; 2. Increasing the Reimbursement for Select Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive Devices; 3. Adding Enhancing Agent for Ultrasounds to the Physician Office and Outpatient Fee Schedule

Quarterly HIPAA Compliant Update:

Effective for dates of service October 1, 2021 and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is incorporating the October Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) quarterly updates to the physician office and outpatient fee schedule.

DSS is making these changes to ensure that the physician office and outpatient fee schedule remains compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The changes apply to services reimbursed under the HUSKY Health programs (A, B, C, and D) and, when applicable, the Family Planning Limited Benefit.

Increasing the Reimbursement for Select Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive Devices:

Effective for dates of service October 1, 2021 and forward, DSS is increasing the reimbursement for the following long-acting reversible contraceptive (LARC) devices:

Code	Description	Old Rate	New Rate
J7300	Intraut copper contraceptive	\$884.50	\$937.00
J7307	Etonogestrel implant system	\$934.82	\$1030.64

Adding Enhancing Agent for Ultrasounds to the Physician Office and Outpatient Fee Schedule:

The following procedure code for an enhancing agent for ultrasounds will be added to the physician office and outpatient fee schedule, effective for dates of service October 1, 2021 and forward.

Code	Description	Rate
Q9950	Injection, sulfur hexafluoride lipid microspheres, per ml	\$18.77

The reimbursement rate for procedure code Q9950 will be 100% of the October 2021 Medicare Average Sales Price (ASP) Drug Pricing file. Providers should review PB 2018-10 "Updates to the Reimbursement Methodology for Physician-Administered Drugs, Immune Globulins, Vaccines and Toxoids" for more information

Accessing the Fee Schedule:

The updated fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) Web site: <u>www.ctdssmap.com</u>. From this Web page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download", scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "I Accept", then select the applicable fee schedule. To access the CSV file, press the control key while clicking the CSV link, then select "Open". **Posting Instructions:** Policy transmittals can be downloaded from the Web site at www.ctdssmap.com.

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