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**Re: Effective September 16, 2019**

**Some medical coverage policies will expand to apply outpatient UB-04 claim forms**

We routinely review our coverage, reimbursement, and administrative policies for potential updates. In that review, we take into consideration one or more of the following: evidence-based medicine, professional society recommendations, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) guidance, industry standards, and our other existing policies.

Some existing medical coverage policies only apply to claims submitted on CMS-1500 claim forms. On September 16, 2019, we will expand some of these policies so that they will also apply to outpatient claims submitted on UB-04 claim forms. This will help to ensure we process services consistently, regardless of which form is used to submit them.

**What this means to you**

Beginning with dates of service on or after September 16, 2019, the medical coverage policies listed below will be expanded to include outpatient services submitted on a UB-04 claim form.

- Acupuncture – (CPG024)
- Allergy Testing and Non-Pharmacologic Treatment – (0070)
- Autonomic Nerve Function Testing – (0506)
- Biofeedback – (CPG294)
- Dermabrasion and Chemical Peels – (0505)
- Electroencephalography – (0521)
- Electrical Stimulation Therapy and Home Devices – (0160)
- Electrodiagnostic Testing (EMG/NCV) – (CPG129)
- Gait Analysis – (0315)
- Plasma Brain Natriuretic Plasma in the Outpatient Setting – (0028)
- Spinal Ultrasound – (CPG038)
- Strapping and Taping – (CPG143)
- Transvaginal Ultrasound, Non Obstetrical – (0398)
- Wheelchairs/Power Operated Vehicles – (0030)

**Additional information**

For more information about our policies, please visit the Cigna for Health Care Professionals website at [CignaforHCP.com](http://CignaforHCP.com) (Resources > Coverage Policies > Policy Updates).

If you are not a registered user, please register so you may log in and access all of our coverage, reimbursement, and administrative policies. Go to [CignaforHCP.com](http://CignaforHCP.com) and click "Register Now." If you do not have Internet access or would like additional information, please call Cigna Customer Service at 1.800.88Cigna (882.4462).

Thank you for the care you provide our customers.

Sincerely,

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