

Policy 1208

NHP/NHIC ~Facility and Professional Bundling Policy

Purpose: This policy is to provide an overview of Network Health Plan/ Network Health Insurance Corporation (NHP/NHIC) reimbursement of bundled codes.

Policy and Procedure: Review of code usage in billing for medical services is a standard industry practice which supports fair reimbursement for medical services and supplies.

NHP/NHIC will apply bundling edits to all claims and not separately reimburse for certain CPT/HCPCS codes submitted by facilities or professionals, both in and out of network.

NHP/NHIC's Claims Editing System applies clinical edits based on standard industry practice according to Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) coding guidelines, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) guidelines, National Correct Coding Initiative edits (NCCI), and other specialty medical society determinations.

When NHP/NHIC processes a claim and determines that the billed service is bundled into payment for other services, the denial ANSI code will be 97: The benefit for this service is included in the payment/allowance for another service/procedure that has already been adjudicated.

Handling and Screening: The following codes: 99000, 99001, 99173, G0101, G0102, G0402, H0048 and Q0091 are included in the overall management of a patient and are not separately reimbursed when submitted with another code, or when submitted as the only code on a claim for the same date of service.

This policy is not a guarantee of coverage or payment. The claim(s) will be denied if it does not meet with all the terms and provisions of the members Certificate of Coverage. Actual benefits will be determined when the claim(s) or bill(s) are submitted to NHP/NHIC. NHP/NHIC reserves the right to periodically review and update all claims policies and procedures.

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