

## **Policy 1227**

### **NHP/NHIC ~ Supply Policy**

**Purpose:** This policy describes reimbursement for supplies and surgical trays. This policy applies to services reported using the CMS 1500 and UB Claim Forms or their equivalents.

**Policy and Procedure:** NHP/NHIC follows CMS policy with regard to no separate reimbursement for HCPCS codes A4263, A4300, A4550, A4649 and 99070 when performed in a physician's or other health care professional's office.

**Supply Reimbursement:** Effective calendar year 2002, HCPCS supply codes A4263, A4300 and A4550 were no longer reimbursable services pursuant to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) policy. The cost of supplies was incorporated into the practice expense Relative Value Unit (RVU) by CMS as of such date and therefore no payment will be made for these supplies.

**Miscellaneous Supply Codes A4649 and 99070:** Please provide a sufficient description of the supply when billing for these codes in any setting or provide the appropriate HCPCS code for the service being reported. The billed service will either be allowed, denied as bundled or denied as non-covered.

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**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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