Multiple Procedure Payment Reduction (MPPR) for Diagnostic Cardiovascular and Ophthalmology Procedures

Summary

This policy describes reimbursement for multiple diagnostic cardiovascular or multiple diagnostic ophthalmology procedures performed on the same date of service.

Policy Statement

Medica applies the multiple procedure reduction when providers who report under the same federal tax identification number (TIN) perform more than one diagnostic cardiovascular or diagnostic ophthalmology procedure to the same patient on the same day.

When multiple Diagnostic Cardiovascular procedures or Diagnostic Ophthalmology procedures are performed on the same day, most of the clinical labor activities are not performed or furnished twice. Therefore, payment at 100% for secondary and subsequent procedures would represent reimbursement for duplicative components of the primary procedure.

This policy aligns with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Medica will consider codes in the National Physician Fee Schedule (NPFS) to determine which procedures are eligible for multiple procedure reductions. The Multiple procedure reduction will not be applied to the professional component (PC). Medica considers procedures with the following CMS multiple procedure indicators eligible for reduction within this reimbursement policy:

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Multiple Diagnostic Cardiovascular Reductions

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Multiple Diagnostic Ophthalmology Reductions
When the technical component (TC) for two or more Diagnostic Ophthalmology procedures, subject to the MPPR for Diagnostic Ophthalmology, are performed on the same patient by the same physician on the same day, Medica will apply a MPPR to reduce the allowed amount for the TC of the second and each subsequent procedure by 20%. No reduction is taken on the TC with the highest TC Non-facility Total RVU according to the NPFS.

Definitions
Same physician – Physicians or other Qualified Health Care professionals of the same group and same specialty reporting the same federal tax identification number (TIN).

Code Lists
MPPR for Diagnostic Cardiovascular Code List
MPPR for Diagnostic Ophthalmology Code List

Resources
• Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
• Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)
• National Physician Fee Schedule (NPFS)

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