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Montana Medicaid Notice

Outpatient Hospitals, Physicians, Mid-Levels, Lab & X-Ray, Podiatrists, IDTF, and Psychiatrists

Lab Panel Update

For claims processed beginning July 1, 2003, there will be a change in the pricing methodology for lab panels and other bundled lab services (formerly Medicare ATPs). This change allows Medicaid to follow Medicare's pricing methodology. This change does not apply to Critical Access or Exempt Hospitals.

Refer to your current edition of CPT-4 for further information on lab panel codes.

When codes are bundled into lab panels, your Remittance Advices will show EOB codes 378 for those lines UNTIL reason and remark codes are implemented. At that time, reason code 042 and remark code M75 will show on the remittance advice instead of EOB 378.

Lab panel codes and pricing are on the following fee schedules:

- Outpatient Hospital
- Physician
- Lab and X-ray
- Mid-Level
- Podiatrist
- IDTF
- Psychiatrist

Copies of these fee schedules may be obtained at www.mtmedicaid.org.

Contact Information

For more information, access the Provider Information website:

<http://www.mtmedicaid.org>

For claims questions or additional information, contact Provider Relations:

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