



## **Update for Emergency Department (ED) Facility Evaluation and Management (E/M) Coding Reimbursement Policy**

The Emergency Department (ED) Facility Evaluation and Management (E/M) Coding Reimbursement Policy was recently implemented on March, 1, 2018 for UnitedHealthcare commercial and UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage plans. However, at this time, the UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Louisiana is out of scope.

### **We're Here to Help**

If you have questions, please call your network representative. Thank you.

### **Note Regarding Reimbursement Policies:**

***As with all UnitedHealthcare Community Plan policies, other factors affecting reimbursement may supplement, modify or in some cases supersede this policy. These factors include, but are not limited, to federal and/or state regulatory requirements, physician or other provider contracts, and/or the member's benefit coverage documents.***

Unless otherwise noted as follows, these reimbursement policies apply to services reported using the CMS-1500 or its electronic equivalent, or its successor form.

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan reimbursement policies do not address all issues related to reimbursement for services rendered to our members, such as the member's benefit plan documents; our medical policies; and the UnitedHealthcare Community Plan Physician, Health Care Professional, Facility and Ancillary Provider Administrative Guide. Meeting the terms of a particular reimbursement policy is not a guarantee of payment. Likewise, retirement of a reimbursement policy affects only those system edits associated with the specific policy being retired. Retirement of a reimbursement policy is not a guarantee of payment. Other applicable reimbursement and medical policies and claims edits will continue to apply.

Once implemented, the policies may be viewed at [UHCommunityPlan.com](http://UHCommunityPlan.com) > For Health Care Professionals > Louisiana > Reimbursement Policies.

In the event of an inconsistency or conflict between the information in this Provider Notification and the posted policy, the provisions of the posted reimbursement policy prevail. If you have any questions, please contact your Health Plan Representative or call the number on your Provider Remittance Advice/Explanation of Benefits.