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To: Administrative examinations providers

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Medicaid Programs

Subject: Allowable units for code 99244, effective October 1, 2023

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) found that code 99244's maximum allowable units changed from two units to one unit effective Oct. 1, 2023. OHA will override this edit so that providers can continue to bill two units per episode of care for the rest of the year.

Effective January 1, 2024, providers will be limited to one unit per episode of care for code 99244.

Why is this happening?

OHA updated the Medicaid Management Information System with quarterly National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edits and Medically Unlikely Edit (MUE) quantities effective Oct. 1, 2023. These updates are required of all states.

What should you do?

If you billed for code 99244 on or after October 1, 2023, and still need to be paid for the second unit, you may adjust those claims in the Provider Portal at https://www.or-medicaid.gov.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your patience as we continue to make system improvements.

Questions?

If you have any questions about this announcement, contact the Policy Analyst, Shannon Jasper at Shannon.d.jasper@oha.oregon.gov. For billing questions, contact Provider Services Unit at dmap.providerservices@odhsoha.oregon.gov or call 800-336-6016 (Option 5). We are available Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Thank you for your continued support of the Oregon Health Plan and the services you provide to our members.