MHIL Payment Integrity and Recovery Program

Molina Healthcare of Illinois, Inc.

Molecular Pathology

Concept Number: 028

Concept Name: 028 Molecular Pathology

Date: 01/01/2024

Claim Type: Professional

Line(s) of Business: Medicaid, MMP/Duals, Medicare, Marketplace

Description:

The Molecular Pathology Payment Integrity and Recovery Program addresses the reimbursement of Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes labeled as Individual Tier 1 or Tier 2 codes that are considered components of GSP, PLA, or unlisted codes reported for Multianalyte testing on the same specimen.

Individual Tier 1 or Tier 2 codes submitted in addition to a GSP, PLA, or unlisted code 81479 will be denied.

Tier 2 Molecular Pathology Codes: 81400, 81401, 81402, 81403, 81404, 81405, 81406, 81407, 81408.

Genomic Sequencing Procedures (GSP) and Other Molecular Multianalyte Assay (MAA) Codes: 81410, 81411, 81412, 81413, 81414, 81415, 81416, 81417, 81419, 81420, 81422, 81425, 81426, 81427, 81430, 81431, 81432, 81433, 81434, 81435, 81436, 81437, 81438, 81439, 81440, 81442, 81443, 81445, 81448, 81450, 81455, 81460, 81465, 81470, 81471.

Molina will recover reimbursement for any claims previously reimbursed with Molecular Pathology codes that were submitted with Individual Tier 1 or Tier 2 codes. Molina is currently working to improve claims systems logic to deny reimbursement for current and future claims.

Example Scenario:

Claims billed with CPT codes 81420 (GSP) and 81220 (Tier 1 or Tier 2) on the same date of services **are not** reimbursable.

References:

Article - Billing and Coding: Molecular Pathology and Genetic Testing (A58917)

Article - Billing and Coding: Molecular Pathology and Genetic Testing (A58918)

Article - Billing and Coding: Molecular Pathology Procedures (A56199) Medicaid NCCI 2021 Coding Policy Manual - Chap10CPTCodes -80000-89999

