



## Acute E&M and Preventive E&M Can Be Billed for the Same Date of Service

Molina Healthcare encourages providers to provide preventative care services during acute patient visits.

Molina Healthcare will pay for both a new/established patient acute E&M and new/established patient preventative E&M visit for the same member on the same date of service if the diagnosis codes billed supports payment of both codes. To ensure accurate payment:

- Bill the correct diagnosis codes for the acute and preventative exam. Ensure the diagnosis codes point to the correct charge line.
- Include diagnosis codes for any chronic conditions that exist. Molina uses diagnosis code information to identify members who are eligible for disease management or care management.
- Bill the new/established patient acute E&M with modifier 25.

## Are your Super Bills populated with non-specific diagnosis codes?

Share this information with your physician(s) to ensure appropriate diagnosis codes are reported. Molina Healthcare needs accurate diagnosis codes to identify members with chronic conditions who may be eligible for disease management or care management.

Suggested billing tips and examples:

- Submit accurate and timely claims for every office visit.
- *Always* include appropriate chronic and disability diagnoses on all claims for patients with chronic illness.
- Be specific on diagnosis coding. Always use the most specific appropriate diagnosis code available.
- Document chronic disease whenever appropriate, including appointments when prescription refills are written for chronic conditions. Molina Healthcare has identified asthma as the most common diagnosis code not reported.

Example:

Diabetic uncontrolled, comes in with an upper respiratory infection. Suggested diagnosis codes:

- DX <sup>1</sup> – 465.90 (upper respiratory)
- DX <sup>2</sup> – 250.02 (diabetes – chronic condition)

## Governor Declares September *Get Your Well On* Month

Governor Ted Strickland has issued a proclamation declaring September 2010 as *Get Your Well On* month and encouraging Ohioans to make appointments with their primary care providers.

The *Get Your Well On* campaign is an effort of Ohio's Health Care Home, a single site helping Ohioans access the resources they need to get and stay well. Ohio's seven Medicaid Managed Care Plans have come together under Ohio's Health Care Home to encourage wellness and prevention. *Get Your Well On* is a statewide effort to encourage healthy behaviors and primary care provider visits.

To learn more, visit [www.OhioHealthCareHome.com](http://www.OhioHealthCareHome.com), Consumers, Get Your Well On.

## Questions?

Call Molina Provider Services at (800) 642-4168 with any questions you may have. Representatives are available to assist your Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.