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A CHIP Health Plan

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AETNA BETTER HEALTH KIDS (CHIP) LABORATORY CODE REIMBURSEMENT UPDATE

We regularly augment our clinical, payment and coding policy positions as part of our ongoing policy review processes. In an effort to keep our providers informed, please see the information below highlighting upcoming new policies.

Effective for dates of service beginning August 1st, 2026.

Effective on the date noted above, the following laboratory services will be limited to one (1) unit per member, per day, regardless of rendering provider or place of service.

Affected CPT® Codes

87490 – Chlamydia trachomatis, direct probe technique

87492 – Chlamydia trachomatis, nucleic acid amplification (NAAT), including quantification

Claims submitted with more than one unit per member per day for these CPT codes will be denied in accordance with Aetna Better Health Kids reimbursement policy.

Providers are responsible for ensuring billing practices align with current CHIP coverage and reimbursement guidelines. We encourage you to review your internal processes to ensure compliance with this update.

Questions? Contact our Provider Engagement department by email at ProviderRelationsPA1@aetna.com or by phone at **1-866-638-1232**.