Prior Authorization & Claim Edit Changes

New Genetic Testing Requirement

Effective August 1, 2016, Home State Health will require prior authorization for CPT® 88365 – In situ hybridization (e.g., FISH), per specimen; initial single probe stain procedure.


OB Ultrasound Claim Edit

In lieu of a prior authorization requirement for obstetrical ultrasounds, effective July 1, 2016, Home State Health is implementing a claims based medical necessity edit for select obstetrical ultrasound procedures. Home State considers obstetrical ultrasounds to be medically necessary during pregnancy based on the following frequency and diagnosis guidelines:

- One ultrasound of the pregnant uterus for fetal and maternal evaluation in the first trimester (CPT® 76801) per pregnancy.
- One ultrasound of the pregnant uterus for fetal and maternal evaluation after the first trimester (CPT® 76805) per pregnancy.
- One ultrasound of the pregnant uterus for fetal and maternal evaluation plus detailed fetal anatomic examination (CPT® 76811) per pregnancy. One additional detailed examination ultrasound will be allowed per pregnancy if required for a 2nd opinion, a new MFM is taking over care, or upon transfer to a tertiary care center in anticipation of delivery of an anomalous fetus requiring specialized neonatal care.
- Four ultrasounds of the pregnant uterus, transvaginal, (CPT® 76817) are allowed per pregnancy.

After July 1, 2016, please visit our Practice Improvement Resource Center @ www.HomeStateHealth.com for additional details regarding this edit.

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