

Provider Update

ER auto pay list update

Summary of update: Effective January 1, 2015, Amerigroup Community Care will update the ER auto pay list. This list governs the automatic payment of emergency services that do not require additional review.

✦ **What this means to you:** The ER auto pay list documents Amerigroup-approved ICD-9 codes designating an emergency room visit as an injury or sudden onset of illness requiring immediate medical attention. This list will be used to automatically adjudicate both hospital and emergency room physician claims.

What is the impact of this change?

The revised list impacts both facility and physician emergency services claims that will be automatically adjudicated based on the principal diagnosis submitted and billed:

- For facilities, in conjunction with revenue code 451/452
- For physicians, with codes 99284 and 99285

Emergency services claims where the principal diagnosis is not on the ER auto pay list will be subject to review based on the Maryland ER Services Hospital reimbursement policy and Maryland ER Services Physician reimbursement policy.

Where can I find additional information on reimbursement policies?

Maryland reimbursement policies, including the ER reimbursement policies, can be found by logging in to the Amerigroup provider self-service website at providers.amerigroup.com/MD. Once logged in, select Claims > Downloadable Forms and Documents. You can also refer to the ER Review Process in the Amerigroup Community Care Provider Manual for additional information related to this policy.

What if I need assistance?

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