

		<b>Reimbursement Policy</b>
<b>Subject: Multiple Radiology Payment Reduction</b>		
Effective Date: <b>10/01/17</b>	Committee Approval Obtained: <b>12/15/17</b>	Section: <b>Radiology</b>
<p>***** The most current version of our reimbursement policies can be found on our provider website. If you are using a printed version of this policy, please verify the information by going to <a href="https://providers.amerigroup.com/DC">https://providers.amerigroup.com/DC</a>. *****</p>		
<p>These policies serve as a guide to assist you in accurate claim submissions and to outline the basis for reimbursement if the service is covered by a member’s Amerigroup District of Columbia, Inc. benefit plan. The determination that a service, procedure, item, etc. is covered under a member's benefit plan is not a determination that you will be reimbursed. Services must meet authorization and medical necessity guidelines appropriate to the procedure and diagnosis as well as to the member’s District of residence. You must follow proper billing and submission guidelines. You are required to use industry standard, compliant codes on all claim submissions. Services should be billed with CPT codes, HCPCS codes and/or revenue codes. The codes denote the services and/or procedures performed. The billed code(s) are required to be fully supported in the medical record and/or office notes. Unless otherwise noted within the policy, our policies apply to both participating and nonparticipating providers and facilities.</p> <p>If appropriate coding/billing guidelines or current reimbursement policies are not followed, Amerigroup may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reject or deny the claim.</li> <li>• Recover and/or recoup claim payment.</li> </ul> <p>Amerigroup reimbursement policies are developed based on nationally accepted industry standards and coding principles. These policies may be superseded by mandates in provider, District, federal or CMS contracts and/or requirements. System logic or setup may prevent the loading of policies into the claims platforms in the same manner as described; however, Amerigroup strives to minimize these variations.</p> <p>Amerigroup reserves the right to review and revise our policies periodically when necessary. When there is an update, we will publish the most current policy to this site.</p>		
<b>Policy</b>	<p>Amerigroup allows reimbursement for multiple diagnostic imaging procedures unless provider, District, federal or CMS contracts and/or requirements indicate otherwise.</p> <p>Multiple diagnostic imaging procedures will be subject to a Multiple Procedure Payment Reduction (MPPR) when services are performed by the same provider or provider group on the same date of service during the same patient encounter. Reimbursement for diagnostic imaging procedures is based on the following:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100 percent of the fee schedule or contracted/negotiated rate of the global service for the highest valued procedure</li> <li>• 50 percent for the second service</li> <li>• 25 percent for the third and additional services</li> </ul> <p>A reduced allowance for the second and subsequent procedures <b>will not</b> apply when multiple imaging procedures are billed appended with Modifier 59 or X{EPSU} to indicate the procedure was done on the same day but not during the same session.</p> <p>A single imaging procedure is subject to the multiple imaging reductions when submitted with multiple units.</p>
<b>History</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review approved <b>12/15/17</b>: Policy language updated</li> <li>• Review approved <b>09/28/17</b>: Policy template updated</li> <li>• Initial review approved <b>07/19/17</b> and effective <b>10/01/17</b></li> </ul>
<b>References and Research Materials</b>	<p>This policy has been developed through consideration of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CMS</li> <li>• DC Department of Health Care Finance policies</li> <li>• Amerigroup contract with the DC Department of Health Care Finance</li> </ul>
<b>Definitions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>General Reimbursement Policy Definitions</b></li> </ul>
<b>Related Policies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distinct Procedural Services (Modifiers 59, XE, XP, XS, XU)</li> <li>• Modifier Usage</li> </ul>
<b>Related Materials</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>