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Hospital provider notification — billing for emergency room visits — revision

Summary: Effective August 1, 2018, Healthy Blue started following the Louisiana Department of Health requirement of only allowing one revenue code (450 or 459) per emergency room (ER) visit. ER revenue code 450 or 459 must be billed along with an appropriate procedure code (99281 through 99285).

What is the impact of this change?

Effective August 1, 2018, program logic was put in place to deny claims billed when both ER revenue codes are included. Only one of the ER revenue codes should be used per visit.

Claim lines billed with revenue codes 450 or 459 and procedure codes other than 99281 through 99285 or 99291 will be denied with edit **G26** — **invalid revenue/procedure code combination**. Providers must bill correct revenue codes and appropriate procedure/HCPCS code for consideration of payment.

What if I need assistance?

If you have questions about this communication or need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at **1-844-521-6942**.