

Reimbursement Policy

## Subject: Unlisted, Unspecified or Miscellaneous Codes

Effective Date: Committee Approval Obtained: Section: Coding 01/01/20

\*\*\*\*\* 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.healthybluela.com">https://providers.healthybluela.com</a>.\*\*\*\*\*

These policies serve as a guide to assist you in accurate claims submissions and to outline the basis for reimbursement if the service is covered by a Healthy Blue Dual Advantage (HMO D-SNP) member's 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 state 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 participating providers and facilities; a noncontracting provider who accepts Medicare assignment will be reimbursed for services according to the original Medicare reimbursement rates.

If appropriate coding/billing guidelines or current reimbursement policies are not followed, Healthy Blue Dual Advantage may:

- Reject or deny the claim.
- Recover and/or recoup claim payment.

Healthy Blue Dual Advantage reimbursement policies are developed based on nationally accepted industry standards and coding principles. These policies may be superseded by mandates in provider, state, federal, or CMS contracts and/or requirements. System logic or set up may prevent the loading of policies into the claims platforms in the same manner as described; however, Healthy Blue Dual Advantage strives to minimize these variations.

Healthy Blue Dual Advantage reserves the right to review and revise its policies periodically when necessary. When there is an update, we will publish the most current policy to the website.

## Policy Healthy Blue Dual Advantage allows reimbursement for unlisted, unspecified or miscellaneous codes in accordance with specified guidelines unless provider, federal or CMS contracts and/or requirements indicate otherwise. Unlisted, unspecified or miscellaneous codes should only be used when an established code does not exist to describe the diagnosis, service, procedure or item rendered.

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	Reimbursement is based on review of the unlisted, unspecified or miscellaneous code(s) on an individual claim basis. Claims submitted with unlisted, unspecified or miscellaneous codes must contain the following information and/or documentation for consideration during review:  • A written description, office notes, or operative report describing the procedure or service performed  • An invoice and written description of items and supplies  • The corresponding National Drug Code number for an unlisted drug code
History	Initial approval and effective date 01/01/20
References and	This policy has been developed through consideration of the following:
Research	• CMS
Materials	State contract
Definitions	<ul> <li>Unlisted or Miscellaneous Codes: used for service(s) or item(s):         <ul> <li>Not having a designated code fitting the description of the service(s) or item(s) rendered</li> <li>To circumvent:</li></ul></li></ul>
	Unlisted or miscellaneous codes may be used for a variety of services or items. As new and advanced approaches and techniques are under development, the unlisted category is used for auditing purposes until these procedures become accepted in medical practice and are routinely performed by providers. Specific fee allowances and/or relative value units cannot be established for unlisted services or items.  • General Reimbursement Policy Definitions
Related Policies	• None
<b>Related Materials</b>	• None