

# UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Reimbursement Policy Update Bulletin: July 2024

New		
Policy Title	Effective Date	Policy Summary
Home Health Services Policy, Professional	10/01/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2024, UnitedHealthcare Medicare and Retirement (M&amp;R) will implement the new Home Health Services Policy, Professional.</li> <li>In alignment with CMS, home health services billed in place of service 12 will not be reimbursed if the dates of service overlap with an inpatient stay. The date span criteria will exclude the date of admission and discharge.</li> </ul>
Professional/Technical Component Policy, Professional	10/01/2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effective after October 1, 2024, UnitedHealthcare Medicare and Retirement (M&amp;R) will enhance the Professional/Technical Component Policy, Professional to align with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS): if a radiology service is rendered and the physician or other eligible qualified healthcare professional performs a review rather than the full written interpretation and report, the reimbursement is considered included in the Evaluation and Management (E/M) service.</li> <li>The interpretation of a radiology service appended with modifier 26 will not be considered for separate reimbursement when reported on the same date of service as an E/M service unless a copy of the radiology report is attached to support separate reimbursement.</li> </ul>

Published reimbursement policies are intended to ensure reimbursement based on the code or codes that correctly describe the health care services provided. UnitedHealthcare reimbursement policies may use Current Procedural Terminology (CPT<sup>®\*</sup>), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) or other coding guidelines. References to CPT or other sources are for definitional purposes only and do not imply any right to reimbursement.

Note: The absence of a policy does not automatically indicate or imply coverage. As always, coverage for a health service must be determined in accordance with the member’s benefit plan and any applicable federal or state regulatory requirements.



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