

Frequently Asked Questions

Billing CPT Category II code 1111F for Medicare Advantage PPO members who received a medication reconciliation within 30 days of an inpatient discharge to home

As of July 11, 2016, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan will reimburse providers who conduct medication reconciliation within 30 days of a hospital discharge for Medicare Advantage PPO members and submit a professional claim with CPT II code 1111F.

Performing medication reconciliation after every discharge ensures that patients understand any new medications as well as any medications that should no longer be taken.

Who conducts medication reconciliation?

Medication reconciliation must be conducted by the prescribing physician, clinical pharmacist or registered nurse.

What are CPT II codes?

CPT Category II codes are supplemental tracking codes that facilitate data collection. CPT II codes are released annually as part of the full CPT code set and are updated semi-annually in January and July by the American Medical Association.

What is the description for CPT II code 1111F?

CPT II code 1111F is described as discharge medications reconciled with the current medication list in outpatient medical record.

Why use CPT II codes when submitting claims for Medicare Advantage members?

CPT II codes reduce the number of medical record review requests you receive from Blue Cross.

What are the medical record documentation requirements?

The outpatient medical record must include:

- The hospital discharge date
- The date the medication reconciliation was completed
- Documentation indicating that the patient's current list of medications was reconciled against the hospital discharge list of medications

How should CPT II be billed on a claim?

CPT II codes are billed in the same manner as other CPT codes. The charged amount for 1111F claim is \$10. CPT II codes are billed on a HCFA 1500 (professional claim).

Is there a frequency or time limitation for billing 1111F?

1111F may be billed within 30 days of each inpatient discharge to home, one per discharge.

Can CPT II code 1111F be billed alone?

We encourage a face-to-face office visit, but CPT II code 1111F may be billed alone. The post-discharge office visit provides an opportunity to address conditions that caused the hospitalization and to ensure the patient understands his or her final medication list.

If CPT II code 1111F is billed alone or with a telephonic CPT code, the medication reconciliation documentation requirements in the patient's medical record must be met.

If you use a third-party vendor to submit claims, tell your vendor that 1111F can be billed alone. It is an exception to the rule.

What do I do if I billed \$0.01 for CPT II code 1111F after July 11, 2016?

Providers may rebill 1111F with a \$10 charge if they originally submitted less than the \$10 allowed amount.

Will providers receive a separate check for 1111F?

No, reimbursement for 1111F is paid like any other service.

Will CPT II code 1111F be reimbursed in addition to the office visit?

Yes, 1111F is separately reimbursable.

Can providers from clinics that bill on a facility claim (e.g., federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics) receive reimbursement for 1111F?

Unfortunately we can't reimburse 1111F from a facility claim. Primary care physicians in these locations can submit a professional claim for 1111F to receive reimbursement. Medication reconciliation post-discharge specifications for claim submissions must be followed.

Can CPT II code 1111F be billed with Transitions of Care Codes (99495, 99496)?

No, reimbursement for 99495 and 99496 transition of care services include medication reconciliation.

Is the \$10 reimbursement for 1111F an incentive?

No, the \$10 reimbursement for 1111F is a separately payable service for conducting medication reconciliation within 30 days of an inpatient discharge and isn't considered an incentive.

Can I submit claims with 1111F for Blue Cross Commercial or BCN members?

Yes, you may submit claims for 1111F when you conduct medication reconciliation within 30 days of an inpatient stay and meet the medical record documentation requirements.

Is 1111F reimbursable for Blue Cross Commercial or BCN members?

Reimbursement for Blue Cross Commercial and BCN members is not available at this time. 1111F will be reimbursable for Blue Cross Commercial members in 2017. Please watch for details regarding the effective date.

Is there any patient cost sharing for 1111F?

There is no member cost share.

How is 1111F displayed on the members explanation of benefits?

1111F is presented in the same as any other service on the explanation of benefits and remittance. The 1111F appears as its own detail line showing the service code, the billed amount, the \$10 allowed and the final payment.

If billed with other office services, the final payment will include all services billed on the claim including the \$10 allowance for 1111F.

For more information, please read the following articles from *The Record*:

“New Medicare star ratings measure: Medication reconciliation post-discharge”

http://www.bcbsm.com/newsletter/therecord/2016/record_0516/Record_0516d.shtml

“Providers receive reimbursement for conducting medication reconciliation post-discharge for MA PPO members”

http://www.bcbsm.com/newsletter/therecord/2016/record_0816/Record_0816g.shtml