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BILLING AND CODING

Improper Billing for Primary Arthrodesis Codes

Florida Blue has implemented changes that allow payment for only one primary arthrodesis code when the additional arthrodesis procedure is occurring at an additional level. The appropriate add-on code should be billed in these situations. [Learn more >>](#)

MEDICARE STARS

Announcing the 2018 BlueMedicare Provider Quality Bonus Program!

If you are a primary care provider who delivers care to our BlueMedicare HMO and/or PPO members, your 2018 BlueMedicare Provider Quality Bonus program details will arrive at your practice soon. [Learn more >>](#)

OTHER

Flu Prevention: Getting Ahead of the Epidemic

Providers are continuing to talk with patients about the flu and its prevention, and we're reaching out to our members about the seriousness of the flu virus and ways to protect themselves. Together, we can keep the community as healthy as possible. [Learn more >>](#)

QUALITY / HEDIS / CAHPS

New HEDIS Measure: Opioids

This new HEDIS measure helps us take an active role in solving the opioid crisis. Don't miss key features of the measure for the *Use of Opioids from Multiple Providers (UOP)*. [Learn more >>](#)

UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT AND OTHER PROGRAMS

PopHealthCare Programs Help Members Improve Their Health

On February 5, 2018, the PopHealthCare *CareSight Transition of Care* program was implemented for eligible members in Hillsborough and Miami-Dade counties. Through this program, PopHealthCare helps members during the first 30 days they are home after a hospital stay transition to taking care of their health at home. *CareSight Transition of Care* is one of three programs Florida Blue and PopHealthCare recently launched that are designed to help members improve their health by getting the health screenings and services they need, transition home after a hospital stay, and avoid readmissions to the hospital. [Learn more >>](#)

PHARMACY

Tips for Provider-Administered Drugs Serviced by Magellan Rx Management

This time of year is typically busy with member health insurance plan changes and increases in prior authorization requests. To help you during this busy time, here are a few tips for provider-administered drugs that are serviced by Magellan Rx Management. [Learn more >>](#)

Remember to Look for Pharmacy Updates on Our Website

Our provider website has important pharmacy updates and tips to help you get fast medication approvals for your Florida Blue patients. Remember to check our website at floridablue.com:
Providers > Tools & Resources > Important News > Bulletins and FAQs > [Pharmacy](#)

SELF-SERVICE TOOLS

Improved Preservice Fax Cover Sheet

We've improved the preservice fax cover sheet used for authorization requests that are pended for medical review by Florida Blue. The fax cover sheet has been updated to automatically select the request type and it's easier than ever to access. [Learn more >>](#)