Affected Programs: Tuberculosis-Related Services-Only Benefit
To: Federally Qualified Health Centers, HealthCheck Providers, Home Health Agencies, Independent Labs, Nurse Midwives, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Physician Clinics, Physicians, Prenatal Care Coordination Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

New Laboratory Procedure Code Reimbursable for Tuberculosis-Related Services-Only Benefit

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2011, *Current Procedural Terminology* code 86481 is reimbursable for members enrolled in the Tuberculosis-Related Services-Only Benefit. The new procedure code is also reimbursable for members enrolled in the BadgerCare Plus programs or Medicaid.

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2011, new *Current Procedural Terminology* code 86481 (Tuberculosis test, cell mediated immunity antigen response measurement; enumeration of gamma interferon-producing T-cells in cell suspension) is reimbursable for members receiving services under the Tuberculosis-Related Services-Only Benefit (TB-Only).

The new procedure code is also reimbursable for members enrolled in the BadgerCare Plus programs or Medicaid.

Additional Information

For current reimbursement rates, refer to the maximum allowable fee schedule on the ForwardHealth Portal at *www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/*. Providers may refer to their applicable service areas of the ForwardHealth Online Handbook for more information.

The *ForwardHealth Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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