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Announcement 1302

Attention Provider Types 20 (Specialty 170) and 22:

Update Regarding Dental Anesthesia Codes D9223 and D9243 Service Limitation

Update to [Web Announcement 1241](#): Effective January 16, 2017, claims for dental anesthesia codes D9223 (General Anesthesia, each 15 minutes) and D9243 (IV Sedation, each 15 minutes) submitted by provider type 20 (specialty 170 – Physician/Maxillofacial Surgery) and provider type 22 (Dental) will no longer deny inappropriately if 2 to 5 units are billed. The claims processing system has been updated to pay claims up to the limitation of 5 units and deny only the claims that exceed the limitation of 5 units with edit code 0225 (Units billed exceeded maximum allowable units for this procedure).

Claims for dental codes D9223 and D9243 for 2 to 5 units with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, through claims processed before January 16, 2017, that denied will be automatically reprocessed. A future web announcement will notify providers when the claims will be reprocessed.