



Pharmaceutical Radiology Billing Guidelines

Effective August 1, 2021, the following codes will be reimbursed at 100% of current Medi-Cal rates when billed to CHCN. Standard Medi-Cal billing guidelines apply. These guidelines are applicable to both contracted and non-contracted providers.

Diagnostic Radiopharmaceutical Agents

For Per “Study Dose” Agents, reimbursement is limited to one unit (one study dose).

For other Agents, reimbursement is allowed as per their descriptors.

Based on Medi-Cal guidelines some codes will require invoice and/or the acquisition cost when billing.

“Not Otherwise Classified” Agents, may require “By Report” billing along with an invoice.

Diagnostic radiopharmaceutical agent codes are not split-billable and must not be billed with any modifier.

Paramagnetic Contrast Material

These codes are not split-billable and must not be billed with any modifier. For any exceptions please refer to the Medi-Cal billing guidelines.

High Osmolar Radiographic Contrast Media

Q9958 thru Q9964 are not split-billable. These codes may be billed with modifier UD. Only one code in the range is reimbursable, per date of service, any provider, unless medical justification is attached.

Any zero priced code requires an invoice submitted with claim.