

### **COVID-Related Coding Changes to the Prioritized List**

Consistent with the Commission's approval at the March 12, 2020, HERC meeting, HERC staff has made necessary changes to the 3/13/2020 Prioritized List to respond to the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak. These changes include:

- Renaming Line 399 as INFLUENZA, NOVEL RESPIRATORY VIRUSES
- Adding ICD-10-CM U07.1, COVID-19, to Line 399
- Moving J12.81, Pneumonia due to SARS-associated coronavirus, and related diagnoses from Line 304 VIRAL PNEUMONIA to Line 399
- Updating Health Behavior Assessment CPT codes in Guideline Note A5 (erratum correcting obsolete codes)

In order to preserve transparency and clarity, the Change Log entries are provided in chronological order:

3/23/2020: In Guideline Note A5 TELECONSULTATIONS AND ELECTRONIC/TELEPHONIC SERVICES, staff corrected the Health Behavior Assessment/Intervention codes (previously listed CPT codes 96150-96154 have been replaced with CPT 96171)

3/30/2020: Removed J12.81 from line 304 VIRAL PNEUMONIA and removed B97.29 OTHER VIRAL INFECTIONS from line 615.  
Added ICD-10-CM U07.1 (COVID-19), J12.81 (Pneumonia due to SARS-associated coronavirus) and B97.29 (other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere) to Line 399 and renamed that line INFLUENZA, NOVEL RESPIRATORY VIRUSES.  
Added footnotes with links to federal and state resources about telehealth to Guideline Note A5 TELECONSULTATIONS AND ELECTRONIC/TELEPHONIC SERVICES.

4/3/2020: Revised guideline note A5 was posted with additional clarity on telehealth coverage, especially specific information related to the COVID-19 emergency.  
Revised Guideline Note A5 to incorporate footnotes into the body of the guideline text.

4/8/2020: J12.81 (Pneumonia due to SARS-associated coronavirus) and B97.29 (other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere) were added to Line 399