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Subject: Fee-for-service rate increase for neonatal and pediatric intensive care professional services

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is adopting an Oregon-specific rate conversion factor for professional service procedure codes associated with pediatric or neonatal intensive care provided on or after January 1, 2022. OHA is currently making updates to the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) to process claims using the new rate conversion factor.

Why is this happening?

The Oregon-specific rate conversion factor will allow OHA to increase rates for procedure codes **99468** – **99480**, as approved by the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services in Oregon's State Plan Amendment (SPA) <u>22-0005</u>. OHA submitted this SPA to implement the increase recommended in Package 801 of OHA's <u>2021-2023 Legislatively Adopted Budget</u>.

What should you do?

Please do not bill for procedures 99468 – 99480 until OHA completes updates to MMIS for this rate change. Once updates are complete, we will let you know.

For 2022 claims already submitted for these procedures, we will provide guidance on any actions needed for you to apply the rate increase to those claims.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your patience as we continue to make system improvements.

Questions?

If you have any questions about this announcement, please email Diane Quiring at diane.s.quiring@dhsoha.state.or.us.

Thank you for your continued support of the Oregon Health Plan and the services you provide to our members.