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### 2013 HEALTH CARE PROCEDURE CODING SYSTEM (HCPCS)

With the implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Standards for Transactions and Code Sets, use of the appropriate medical code sets is required on health care claims.

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2013, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will accept the 2013 versions of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and the Health Care Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) medical code sets. Providers will not be able to bill the 2013 versions of the code sets until January 18, 2013 due to time requirements to complete system updates. Providers should reference the appendix of the CPT and HCPCS books for a summary of the additions, deletions and revisions. For dates of service prior to January 1, 2013, claims must be billed with the 2012 version of CPT and HCPCS codes and modifiers.

For MHD coverage information, including fees and restrictions, please reference the MHD Fee Schedule at <http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/cptagree.htm>. Select the provider link; fee schedules; read through the License for Use of Physicians' Current Procedural Terminology and select "accept"; then follow the directions given on the MHD Price List Search. The fee schedule will not be updated until after January 18, 2013 when the system work is complete.

### Molecular Pathology Procedures (81200-81408)

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2013, the Tier 1 and 2 Molecular Pathology procedure codes ranging from 81200-81408 will be manually priced by MHD until a Medicare reimbursement rate is established. Claims for these procedure codes must be submitted with an invoice of cost. This can be done by submitting a medical or outpatient

claim through [emomed.com](http://emomed.com), and completing the Invoice of Cost link at the bottom of the detail screen or by sending a paper claim with the invoice of cost attached.

### **Multianalyte Assays with Algorithmic Analyses (81500-81599) and Cell Enumeration (86152)**

The 2013 CPT Book has added codes for Multianalyte Assays with Algorithmic Analyses, procedure codes 81500-81599 and Cell Enumeration, procedure code 86152. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has made the decision to not separately reimburse for these procedure codes as of January 1, 2013 for the Medicare program. As a result, MO HealthNet will not separately reimburse for these procedure codes at this time.

The tests included in the procedure code range 81500-81599 and 86152 are currently covered by MO HealthNet under other individual laboratory CPT codes. Providers may continue to use the existing CPT codes to bill MO HealthNet for these tests for dates of service on and after January 1, 2013. The policies surrounding these tests have not changed; including any special medical documentation, invoices of cost or unit limitations. All existing policies are still applicable.

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- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MO HealthNet card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the red or white card.

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