TREATMENT OF DYSPHAGIA (CPT 92526)

Applies to: Fee-For-Service Providers Administering Dysphagia Treatment

Effective Date: May 3, 2021

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COVERAGE FOR TREATMENT OF DYSPHAGIA (CPT 92526)

Effective May 3, 2021, the MO HealthNet Division will cover enrolled speech and language pathologists (SLPs), physicians, and qualified non-physician practitioners (NPP) to provide treatment of dysphagia in an office setting as well as an outpatient setting. The Current Procedure Terminology (CPT) defines code 92526 as “treatment of swallowing dysfunction and/or oral function for feeding”.

REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS

Services performed under CPT code 92526 are limited to one (1) service unit per day. The participant must be eligible for MO HealthNet coverage for each date of service in order for reimbursement to be made to the provider.

APPLICABILITY

Managed Care enrolled providers should contact their Managed Care Organization for questions regarding treatment of dysphagia billing and reimbursement.
Provider Bulletins are available on the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) website at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/bulletins.htm. Bulletins will remain on the Provider Bulletins page only until incorporated into the provider manuals as appropriate, then moved to the Archived Bulletin page.

MO HealthNet News: Providers and other interested parties are urged to go to the MHD website at http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/ to subscribe to the electronic mailing list to receive automatic notifications of provider bulletins, provider manual updates, and other official MO HealthNet communications via E-mail.

The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:
- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- 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 MO HealthNet card or by calling the Provider Communications Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-751-2896 and using Option One for the MO HealthNet ID card.

Provider Communications Hotline
573-751-2896