Medical Necessity Review Information Requirements

Introduction

This guideline addresses the minimum information needed to perform a medical necessity review of laboratory testing.

Description

In order to accurately and effectively conduct medical necessity reviews, certain information is necessary when the case is submitted. This guideline outlines the information that is required to conduct a medical necessity review.

This information must be provided before applicable medical necessity criteria can be applied. If the below information is not received, the testing will be denied, as medical necessity cannot be determined.

Criteria

The following information must be submitted to perform a medical necessity review for any test:

- Details about the test being performed (test name, description, and/or unique identifier), and
- Laboratory that will be performing the test, and
- All CPT codes and units that will be billed related to the entire test, and
- Clinical information, which may include:
  - All information required by applicable policy, or
  - Test indication, including any applicable signs and symptoms or other reasons for testing, and
  - Any applicable test results (laboratory, imaging, pathology, etc.), and
  - Any applicable family history, and
  - How test results will impact patient care