



Ultrasound Multiple Procedure Payment Policy
Effective 1/1/23

December 1, 2022

Effective 01/01/23 the policy regarding non-obstetrical and obstetrical transabdominal and transvaginal ultrasounds, as outlined below, will be implemented.

The policy was developed based on medical literature and research, industry standards and guidelines as published and defined by the American Medical Association’s Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and public domain specialty society guidance.

Visit <https://www.care1staz.com/providers/resources/practice-guidelines1.html> to review the entire policy. The policy number, name and brief description are included in the table below.

Number	Policy Name	Policy Summary Description	Line of Business
CC.PP.061	Non-obstetrical and Obstetrical Transabdominal and Transvaginal Ultrasounds	<p>A non-obstetrical or first trimester obstetrical transabdominal ultrasound may be performed during the same patient encounter as a transvaginal ultrasound when medically necessary. When both procedures are reported for the same patient, on the same day, the health plan will reimburse the primary procedure (transvaginal ultrasound) at 100% of the fee schedule allowed amount and apply a multiple procedure payment reduction of 50% to the secondary procedure (transabdominal ultrasound).</p> <p><u>Non-Obstetrical Transabdominal Ultrasound Billed with Transvaginal Ultrasound</u></p> <p>CPT code 76856 represents a non-obstetrical transabdominal ultrasound, real time with image documentation; complete. CPT code 76830 represents a non-obstetrical transvaginal ultrasound.</p> <p><u>First Trimester Obstetrical Transabdominal Ultrasound Billed with Transvaginal Ultrasound</u></p> <p>CPT code 76801 describes an ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real time image documentation, fetal and maternal evaluation, first trimester (<14 weeks 0 days), transabdominal approach, single or first gestation. CPT code 76817 represents an ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real time with image documentation, transvaginal.</p>	Medicaid

If you have any questions regarding this change, please contact Network Management at the numbers listed below.

Thank you!

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