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COVID-19, Blood Pressure Monitors and Digital Scales for Pregnant Members

Automatic blood pressure monitors and digital scales will now be covered for all Aetna Better Health of Pennsylvania members who are pregnant. This change will remain in effect during Governor Wolf's COVID-19 emergency declaration.

Billing Requirements:

A pregnancy diagnosis code must be present on the claim to be paid.

For Automatic Blood Pressure Monitors:

Description	Code
Automatic Blood Pressure Monitor	A4670

For Digital Scales:

Description	Code
Digital Scale	E1639

As is currently the case, manual blood pressure cuff kits are covered and available to members with a script from their doctor.

If you have any questions regarding COVID-19 related services or coding, just call your Provider Relations Rep or Provider Services at 1-866-638-1232.

Additional COVID-19 CMS/DHS/CDC guidance & resources

Please see the links below for guidance on COVID- 19.

COVID-19: New ICD-10-CM Code and Interim Coding Guidance

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics will implement a new ICD-10-CM diagnosis code for the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), effective with the next update on October 1.

https://www.cms.gov/outreach-and-education/outreachffsprovpartprogprovider-partnership-email-archive/2020-02-27#_Toc33530673

Interim coding guidance that is specific to the Covid-19 virus

<https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/icd/ICD-10-CM-Official-Coding-Guidance-Interim-Advice-coronavirus-feb-20-2020.pdf>

DHS Provider Coronavirus Resources

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Coronavirus-Provider-Resources.aspx>

Telemedicine Guidelines Related to COVID-19

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Documents/Coronavirus%202020/OPS%20Memo%2003-2020-003.pdf>

DHS COVID-19 Quick Tips

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Quick-Tips/Pages/default.aspx>

Enforcement Discretion for telehealth remote communications COVID-19

The Notification of Enforcement Discretion on telehealth remote communications may be found at: <https://www.hhs.gov/hipaa/for-professionals/special-topics/emergency-preparedness/index.html>.

For more information on HIPAA and COVID-19, see OCR's February 2020 Bulletin: <https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/february-2020-hipaa-and-novel-coronavirus.pdf>