



Attention Hospital, Physician and Outpatient Radiology Providers

Three new CPT codes have been established for CT studies that include both the abdomen and the pelvis. These codes become effective January 1, 2011 and are included in the Radiology Utilization Management (RUM) program. These codes will require prior authorization (PA). The codes are part of the diagnostic CT set and are listed below:

- 74176 Computed tomography; abdomen and pelvis; without contrast material
- 74177 Computed tomography; abdomen and pelvis; with contrast material(s)
- 74178 Computed tomography; abdomen and pelvis; without contrast material in one or both body regions, followed by contrast material(s) and further sections in one or both body regions.

If PA is not obtained for these procedures per the current RUM guidelines then the procedure will not be payable by Louisiana Medicaid. For further information regarding RUM policy and Procedure please visit www.lamedicaid.com.
