

## **Attention Professional Service Providers: Anesthesia Policy**

Louisiana Medicaid has received multiple inquiries related to the denied reimbursement of claims specific to Pain Management. Louisiana Medicaid Pain Management policy states:

“Epidurals administered for the prevention or control of acute pain, such as that which occurs during delivery or surgery, are covered by the Professional Services Program for this purpose only. Epidurals given to alleviate chronic, intractable pain are not covered.”

Therefore, epidurals or nerve block anesthesia administered to a recipient following a surgical related procedure for the prevention or management of postoperative pain will not be reimbursed.