

**MAXIMUS FEDERAL SERVICES, INC.**

Independent Bill Review  
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**Independent Bill Review Final Determination Reversed**

10/15/2014

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IBR Case Number:	CB14-0000583	Date of Injury:	02/07/2008
Claim Number:	[REDACTED]	Application Received:	04/14/2014
Claims Administrator:	[REDACTED]		
Date(s) of service:	09/18/2013		
Provider Name:	[REDACTED]		
Employee Name:	[REDACTED]		
Disputed Codes:	82145, 82205, 80154, 80299 59, 82520, 80299 59, 83840, 83925 59, 83986, 83992, 81002 and 80152		

Dear [REDACTED]:

**Determination:**

A Request for Independent Bill Review (IBR) was assigned to MAXIMUS Federal Services on 06/19/2014, by the Administrative Director of the California Division of Workers' Compensation pursuant to California Labor Code section 4603.6. MAXIMUS Federal Services has determined that the **Claims Administrator's determination is reversed. The Claims Administrator is required to reimburse you the IBR fee of \$250.00 and the amount found owing of \$107.27, for a total of \$357.27.**

**Pertinent Records and Other Appropriate Information Relevant to the Determination Reviewed - The following evidence was used to support the decision:**

- [REDACTED]

## Analysis and Findings:

Based on review of the case file the following is noted:

- **ISSUE IN DISPUTE: Provider dissatisfied with reimbursement of billed codes 82145, 82205, 80154, 80299 59, 82520, 80299 59, 83840, 83925 59, 83986, 83992, 81002 and 80152.**
- Provider was reimbursed \$22.79 for the disputed codes and is seeking additional reimbursement of \$289.31.
- Claims Administrator bundled the billed codes 82145, 82205, 80154, 80299 59, 82520, 80299 59, 83840, 83925 59, 83986, 83992, 81002 and 80152 into HCPCS G0434 indicating the following on the Explanation of Review (EOR): "The procedure code billed does not accurately describe the services performed. Reimbursement was made for a code that is supported by the description and/or documentation submitted with the billing."
- The Provider submitted a copy of the laboratory test results and Provider's Clinical Laboratory license. The toxicology results submitted report a quantitative measure of each drug screened (Amphetamine, Barbiturates, Benzodiazepine, Cannabinoids, Cocaine Metabolites, Ecstasy, Methadone Metabolite, Opiates, Oxycodone, PCP, Tricyclics), . HCPCS code G0434 is utilized to report urine drug screening performed by a test that is CLIA waived or moderate complexity test. Due to the complexity of the toxicology test performed, the levels tracked and results obtained the billed procedure codes 82145, 82205, 80154, 80299 59, 82520, 80299 59, 83840, 83925 59, 83992 and 80152 shall be paid in accordance with HCPCS code G0431. The HCPCS code G0431 is reported with only one unit of service regardless of the number of drugs screened. The testing described by G0431 includes all CLIA high complexity urine drug screen testing as well as any less complex urine drug screen testing performed at the same patient encounter.
- The description of HCPCS code G0431 is "Drug screen, qualitative; multiple drug classes by high complexity test method (e.g. immunoassay, enzyme assay), per patient encounter."
- The drug screen services provided were of high complexity test method. The HCPCS code G0431 criteria has been met based on the documentation submitted by the Provider. Therefore, the code assignment G0434 and payment made by the Claims Administrator was not correct.
- The billed procedure code CPT 83986 and 81002 are not considered part of the drug panel and should be paid separately. The description of CPT 83986 is "pH; body fluid, not otherwise specified." The description of CPT 81002 is " Urinalysis, by dip stick or tablet reagent for bilirubin, glucose, hemoglobin, ketones, leukocytes, nitrite, ph, protein, specific gravity, urobilinogen, any number of these constituents; non-automated, without microscopy ."
- **DETERMINATION OF ISSUE IN DISPUTE: Based on the documentation submitted, additional reimbursement of \$107.27 to be made based on the Official Medical Fee Schedule for HCPCS code G0431, CPT codes 83986 and 81002.**

