

Network Notification

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To: Ohio & Michigan Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: Medically Unlikely Edit (MUE) Policy for code 88342

CPT Codes Involved: 88342

This document outlines CareSource's policy on Medically Unlikely Edits (MUE).

A Medically Unlikely Edit (MUE) is a unit of service edit for a Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)/Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code for services rendered by the same provider to the same patient on the same day.

Claim edits compare different values on a medical claim to a set of defined criteria to check for irregularities, often in an automated claims processing system.

Therefore, MUE's are designed to limit fraud and/or coding errors by representing a limit the provider can submit on the claim. If the provider must exceed the MUE set by CareSource, supporting documentation must be submitted with the claim in order to be considered for reimbursement.

CareSource MUE 7 for CPT 88342

For CPT 88342 (Immunohistochemisty – including tissue immunoperoxidase, each antibody), CareSource has established a MUE of 7.

Any claim billed with an excess of 7 units for this code will require clinical documentation to support the additional units.