



**Medicaid Transmittal Letter (MTL) No. 3347-21-01**

DATE: June 9, 2021  
TO: Eligible Medicaid Providers of Dialysis Services  
Dialysis Centers  
Chief Executive Officers, Medicaid Managed Care Plans  
Other Interested Parties  
FROM: Maureen M. Corcoran, Medicaid Director  
SUBJECT: Revision of Rule 5160-13-02, Dialysis Center Services, and Rule 5160-4-14,  
Professional Services Associated with Dialysis

Coverage and payment policy for dialysis center services and professional services associated with dialysis is set forth in rules 5160-13-02 and 5160-4-14 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

Pursuant to section 106.03 of the Ohio Revised Code, a systematic review has been made of these two rules. As a result, they are being rescinded and replaced with new rules 5160-13-02 and 5160-4-14 on July 1, 2021. In both new rules, the organization has been streamlined and phrasing has been clarified. In new rule 5160-13-02, five substantive changes have been made:

- Coverage of dialysis services for acute kidney injury (AKI) has been added.
- Coverage of "Method II" dialysis (revenue center codes 825, 835, 845, and 855) has been discontinued.
- Revenue center codes 829, 839, 849, and 859 formerly represented a combination of dialysis self-care training and dialysis treatment. Under the new rule, they represent dialysis self-care training alone; dialysis treatment is reported separately on a claim.
- The per-visit payment amount (PVPA) for a dialysis treatment service includes all applicable related services, tests, equipment, supplies, and incidental instruction that are designated by Medicare as "subject to consolidated billing." PVPAs for treatment have been increased to include erythropoiesis-stimulating agents (ESAs) and calcimimetic pharmaceuticals.
- The per-visit payment amount (PVPA) for a covered service is stated as a fixed number rather than a formula. PVPAs are listed in a new appendix to the rule.

**Additional Information**

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