

KMAP GENERAL BULLETIN 12126

UPDATED
Pulmonary Testing Audit

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) approved an audit titled: Pulmonary Testing codes - EM without modifier 24 or 25. This is an audit of claims where Evaluation and Management (E&M) codes were billed without the use of modifiers 24 or 25 when billed in conjunction with pulmonary codes or codes 94010 through 94799. Per the *CPT*[®] codebook, codes 94010 through 94799 include laboratory procedures and interpretation of testing results. If a separate identifiable E&M service is performed, the appropriate E&M service should be reported in addition to 94010 through 94799. For further clarification, consult the *CPT*[®] Assistant Archives. Also, refer to [Professional Bulletin 12085b](#) from September 2012.

For those who received an audit notification letter from the state's Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC), HealthDataInsights (HDI), the State is allowing 90 days from December 5 to submit an adjustment request for the affected claims. The [Individual Adjustment Request](#) form can be used if only a few claims were impacted. For multiple claims, use the [Multiple Adjustment Request](#) form. **These forms are now interactive and can be electronically edited, saved, printed, and faxed.** Both are available on the [Forms](#) page of the KMAP website.

For those who do not submit an adjustment, the State will work with the RAC in recouping those claims deemed to have been submitted incorrectly and consequently paid improperly. For additional information related to the audit, recoupment processes, and/or state fair hearing rights, review the audit notification letter sent out by HDI in relation to this issue. Additional information can also be found on the [HDI provider website](#). If there are any further questions, contact HDI's Provider Services department at **1-877-401-3635**.

The claims associated with this audit were submitted without modifier 24 or 25 and therefore do not follow current KDHE policy. As previously communicated, when an E&M service is performed in conjunction with pulmonary testing, modifier 24 or 25 must be submitted to ensure proper claims processing.

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