

When a valid description and code does not exist in the current coding manuals for a service rendered, a service/procedure may need to be reported with a “not otherwise specified”, “unlisted” or “unclassified” code.

Example: J3490 (“unclassified drugs”) is used when a valid drug code (or “J code”) has not been established.

Any miscellaneous or unlisted procedure code must be submitted via a CMS 1500 paper claim with a specific short description of the procedure/service/drug provided on the claim form. Supporting medical documentation must be attached to the claim.

If documentation is not submitted, the claim will be returned unprocessed.

GHP’s payment schedules do not include reimbursement rates for “unlisted”/“unclassified” codes because the codes could represent more than one service or procedure.

Once a reported code is determined to be payable based on the medical documentation and member’s benefit document, Geisinger Health Plan will determine the reimbursement rate according to standard industry reimbursement methodologies.

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