



South Carolina Partners for Preterm Birth Prevention

17 Alpha Hydroxyprogesterone Claim Processing Procedure

Step 1 Contact the Compounding Pharmacy (Hawthorne Pharmacy 803-794-7990; ask for Addison Livingston) to order 17 Alpha Hydroxyprogesterone (17-P). *The physician is responsible for paying the pharmacy.*

Step 2 Pharmacy will deliver the drug to the physician's office in the manner that they have agreed. Pharmacy should include a detailed invoice that describes the product purchased, the quantity and the unit price.

Step 3 Physician administers the drug to the patient

Step 4 Physician bills Medicaid for the service

- a. Utilize HCPCS code J3490 on a CMS-1500 claim form
- b. Include a separate claim line for each date of service
- c. Show number of units for each date of service
1 unit of service equals 250 milligrams or 1 ml
- d. File a paper claim, attach the invoice (Invoice should include the name of the drug, the units purchased and the cost. South Carolina Medicaid cannot reimburse sales tax on an invoice)
- e. Medicaid can also pay the physician for the office visit (appropriate level office visit code) and for administering the injection; the injection procedure code is 90772. If a nurse administers the injection the doctor cannot report the 90772 code, they can only bill for the nurse visit which is CPT code 99211

Note: This is a manual process and will take additional time to process reimbursements.

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