



PROVIDER NOTICE

Provider Relations Department: 888-895-4998 (Option 4)

Changes to Emergency Department Review Policy

Effective Date: Oct. 1, 2024

Health Plan(s) Affected: Employer Health Programs (EHP), Priority Partners and US Family Health Plan (USFHP)

Type of Change: Policy

Explanation of Change:

The Johns Hopkins Health Plans Reimbursement and Coding Committee (RAC) approved changes to the Sudden and Serious List, which is a list of ICD-10 codes for which Emergency Department (ED) payment does not require medical review. Several ICD-10 codes were removed.

Please view the current version here: [Sudden and Serious Diagnosis Codes List](#)

The current list contains an addendum with codes that will be deleted effective Oct. 1, 2024. These codes are:

- **J45.909** – Unspecified Asthma
- **E86.0** – Dehydration
- **E87.6** – Hypokalemia

Policy [APL009](#) describing the Emergency Department Review Process has been updated and includes language that the Sudden and Serious list may be updated monthly. Please reference the posted list directly for updates.

To view the full descriptions of policies, please visit the Resources and Guidelines section of the [Johns Hopkins Health Plans website](#) on or after the effective date or call Provider Relations at 888-895-4998 (option 4).