

New Procedure Codes for Self-Measured Blood Pressure (SMBP) Monitoring

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New CPT Code

The American Medical Association (AMA) has added two new codes **99473** and **99474** to the 2020 Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) to support self-measured blood pressure monitoring. When billing these two codes, providers must bill with procedure code **A4670** when billing for an automated device. Documentation requirements and other useful tips can be found in The 7-step Self-Measured Blood Pressure (SMBP) Quick Guide, produced by the AMA such as:

- SMBP log
- Instructional videos and infographic information in English and Spanish

The <u>Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)</u> advise our providers regarding self-measured blood pressure monitoring for our members. When this device is used and tied to clinical support, it's a proven approach to managing hypertension.

Educating our members on how to use automated blood pressure monitors will help them keep track of their blood pressure at home, between office visits.

For More Information, Please Reference:

- DSHS article: Self-Measure Blood Pressure Monitoring
- Heart Disease and Stroke Program

Resources

Reference and review the <u>BCBSTX Preventive Care Guidelines (PCGs)</u>, <u>Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPGs)</u> and <u>THSteps</u> <u>for Medical Providers</u> which includes all current vaccine schedules, <u>ImmTrac2</u>, and other important guidance for treating your patients.

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