

# BILLING POLICY No. 049

#### CHRONIC PAIN CARE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Date of origin: Jan. 2023 Review dates: None yet recorded

# APPLIES TO

Commercial & individual / ACA

Medicare, including D-SNP

### **DEFINITION**

Priority Health will cover monthly services for people living with chronic pain (persistent or recurring pain lasting longer than three months). Services may include pain assessment, medication management and care coordination and planning.

# POLICY SPECIFIC INFORMATION

# **Coding specifics**

Any provider helping a Priority Health member manage their chronic pain through the services listed below may use these codes.

#### G3002

- Chronic pain management and treatment, monthly bundle including:
- Diagnosis
- Assessment and monitoring
- Administration of a validated pain rating scale or tool
- Development, implementation, revision, and/or maintenance of a person-centered care plan that includes strengths, goals, clinical needs, and desired outcomes
- Overall treatment management
- Facilitation and coordination of any necessary behavioral health treatment
- Medication management
- Pain and health literacy counseling
- Any necessary chronic pain related crisis care
- Ongoing communication and care coordination between relevant practitioners furnishing care e.g., physical therapy and occupational therapy, complementary and integrative approaches, and community-based care, as appropriate

G3002 requires an initial visit at least 30 minutes in length provided by a physician or other health care professional able bill Priority Health, per calendar month. When using G3002, 30 minutes must be met or exceeded.

#### G3003

Each additional 15 minutes of chronic pain management and treatment by a physician or health care professional able bill Priority Health, per calendar month. List separately in addition to code for G3002. When using G3003, 15 minutes must be met or exceeded.

Below are a few important billing details related to these new codes:

- Both codes can be billed virtually
- G3002 can be billed once per calendar month
- G3003 can be billed as many times per calendar month as medically necessary once G3002 is billed
- Both codes can be billed with other codes, including procedure codes, E/M codes and other care management codes

# **Documentation requirements**

Document the specific services provided as part of the chronic pain management and treatment bundle, including details of the diagnosis, assessment and monitoring, administration of pain rating scales, development and implementation of the care plan, treatment management, coordination of behavioral health treatment, medication management, pain and health literacy counseling, crisis care and care coordination with other practitioners.

### **CHANGE / REVIEW HISTORY**

Date	Revisions made