



Claims Denying for G8510 and G8431 for Depression Screening

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Effective April 1, 2023, HFS added HCPCS codes G8510 - Screening for depression is documented as negative, a follow-up plan is not required and G8431 - Screening for depression is documented as being positive and a follow-up plan is documented as covered codes for depression screening in addition to CPT® 96127, Under Developmental and Behavioral Screening and Testing.

Meridian has identified that for some providers the codes are denying incorrectly. The issue is being reviewed and incorrectly denied claims will be reprocessed once the system is corrected. Providers will not need to take further action. This applies to claims for Health Choice Illinois, YouthCare and MMAI Medicaid.