2014 CPT Coding Changes Effective Date: January 1, 2014

If you have any questions about any of the changes listed below, please do not hesitate to contact Regional Pathology Services Compliance at (402) 559-7283.

Clinical Pathology

80169 Everolimus

Everolimus was previously reported with CPT code 80299. Everolimus wil be reported using the new CPT code effective January 1, 2014.

<u>Surgical Pathology (See American Medical Association and CMS Guidelines</u> listed below)

88342 Immunohistochemistry Description Change:

Immunohistochemistry or immunocytochemistry, each separately identifiable antibody per block, cytologic preparation, or hematologic smear; first separately identifiable antibody per slide

88343 Immunohistochemistry New Code

Immunohistochemistry or immunocytochemistry, each additional separately identifiable antibody per slide (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

G0461 Immunohistochemstry (CMS Only) New Code

Immunohistochemistry or immunocytochemistry, per specimen; first separately identifiable antibody

G0462 Immunohistochemistry (CMS Only) New Code

Immunohistochemistry or immunocytochemstiry, per specimen; each additional separately identifiable antibody (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

AMA Guidelines

"Immunohistochemistry code 88342 has been revised to more clearly define the unit of service. Prior to 2014, 88342 described immunohistochemistry including tissue immunoperoxidase, each antibody. In 2014, the code descriptor now includes immunocytochemistry and describes each separately identifiable antibody per block, cytologic preparation, or hematologic smear. The unit of service is the first separately identifiable antibody per slide. An add on code (88343) has been added to identify each additional separately identifiable antibody per slide. When more than one antibody is applied to the same slide, one unit of 88342 should be reported and one unit of 88343 for each additional antibody. A new parenthetical note following code 88343 provides this instruction."

CMS Guidelines

The description for 88342 will be used in much the same way as it has in the past. Each antibody per specimen, with emphasis on specimen. In cases where multiple antibodies (separately identified) are billed, the G0461 would be billed for the first antibody with G0462 billed for each additional antibody.