

Inpatient Readmissions reimbursement policy update

Summary of change: In an effort to identify clinically related readmissions to the same facility/network, licensed clinical staff with Amerigroup STAR+PLUS MMP (Medicare-Medicaid Plan) will review the clinical information submitted regarding the medical treatment and management of an admission that occurred within 2-30 days from a previous admission to the same facility/network. If the second admission is determined to be clinically related, Amerigroup STAR+PLUS MMP will not reimburse for an additional admission as this is considered a continuation of the episode of care. This process was implemented July 1, 2018.

Inpatient Readmissions update

Based on the information above, the Inpatient Readmissions reimbursement policy has been updated. Amerigroup STAR+PLUS MMP will utilize information indicating clinically related readmissions, clinical criteria and/or licensed clinical medical review for readmissions from day 2-day 30 for the second admission determination. Please refer to the Inpatient Readmissions reimbursement policy at <https://providers.amerigroup.com> > Quick Tools > Reimbursement Policies > Texas MMP > Facilities > [Inpatient Readmissions](#) for additional information.

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