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Drug Screens/Urinalysis Testing for Fee-For-Service Providers

In what circumstances are drug screens/urinalysis (UAs) covered in the Fee-For-Service Program?

The Fee-For-Service program covers medically necessary drug screens/UAs individuals receiving Opiate Treatment Programs (OTP) and pregnant women. These activities are called out explicitly in the state plan as a treatment and monitoring tool.

Additionally, drug screens/UAs may be conducted when ordered by a physician as part of a medical evaluation or to determine the suitability for medical tests or medical treatment. This type of drug screen/UA is available for all Medicaid enrollees receiving substance use disorder treatment services and is not to be used for monitoring purposes.

Billing for drug screens/UAs outside of the circumstances listed above is not allowed in the Fee-For Service Program.

Are there any limits on the number of drug screens/UAs allowed?

No. There is no limit on the number of drug screens/UAs other than the limits described in the previous answer above.