



INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 2481-MC-FFS

DATE: June 27, 2023

TO: Iowa Medicaid Hospitals, Physicians, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners, Certified Nurse Midwives, Pharmacies, Home Health Agencies, Clinics, Physician Assistants

APPLIES TO: Managed Care (MC), Fee-for-Service (FFS)

FROM: Iowa Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Iowa Medicaid

RE: Spravato[®] (Esketamine Nasal Spray) Billing and Coding

EFFECTIVE: January 1, 2021

Spravato[®] (esketamine nasal spray) is U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved, in combination with an oral antidepressant, for treatment-resistant depression in adults, and for the treatment of depressive symptoms in adults with major depressive disorder with acute suicidal ideation or behavior.

Spravato[®] is a medical benefit under the Iowa Medicaid program. Iowa Medicaid and the managed care organizations (MCOs) require that providers use Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code S0013 when submitting a claim for Spravato[®]. HCPCS code S0013 does require a prior authorization. Please contact FFS or the appropriate MCO for prior authorization requirements.

Spravato[®] must be administered under the direct supervision of a healthcare provider and also requires post-administration observation under supervision. Providers should use appropriate evaluation and management (E&M) codes when billing for healthcare provider services required for Spravato[®] administration and post-administration observation.

- Exception: When billing a Medicare crossover claim, the Medicare codes G2082 and G2083 may be used in combination with the drug code (S0013).
- If a provider acquires Spravato[®] through a [Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies \(REMS\)-certified pharmacy](#)¹, the pharmacy must bill a medical claim for the drug using HCPCS code S0013, and the provider may submit a claim with E&M codes for administration and post-administration observation (or G2082 and G2083 if Medicare crossover claim).

¹ <https://www.spravatorems.com/>

SUMMARY – Billing Options for Providers	
Buy and bill	Acquire through a REMS-certified pharmacy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bill under the medical benefit. For Medicare crossover claims ONLY: Bill using Spravato[®] HCPCS (S0013), G2082, and G2083 for administration and post-administration observation. For all other claims: Bill using Spravato[®] HCPCS (S0013) and appropriate E&M codes for administration and post-administration observation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pharmacy should bill under the medical benefit using Spravato[®] HCPCS (S0013). Provider does not bill for drug. Provider may bill appropriate E&M codes for administration and post-administration observation.

If you have questions, please contact Iowa Medicaid Provider Services or the appropriate MCO:

Iowa Medicaid Provider Services:

- Telephone: 1-800-338-7909
- Email: imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us

Amerigroup Iowa, Inc.:

- Telephone: 1-800-454-3730
- Email: iowamedicaid@amerigroup.com
- Website: <https://providers.amerigroup.com/ia>

Iowa Total Care:

- Telephone: 1-833-404-1061
- Email: providerrelations@iowatotalcare.com
- Website: <https://www.iowatotalcare.com>

Molina Healthcare of Iowa

- Telephone: 1-844-236-1464
- Email: iaproviderrelations@molinahealthcare.com
- Website: <https://www.molinahealthcare.com/ia>
- Provider portal: provider.molinahealthcare.com