AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution: 711
(A-18)

Introduced by: Ohio

Subject: Compensation for Pre-Authorization Requests

Referred to: Reference Committee G
(Theodore A. Calianos, II, MD, Chair)

Whereas, Commercial health insurance companies are increasingly exacting and costly in requiring pre-authorization requests which consume extra-ordinary time of physicians and their office employees; and

Whereas, Medical offices can no longer absorb the costs of these increasingly time-consuming pre-authorization processes; and

Whereas, Many insurers are refusing to approve needed medical care and refusing to provide appeals processes; and

Whereas, A former commercial health insurance company medical director recently admitted under oath that he never looked at patients' records when deciding whether to approve or deny medical care; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association petition the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that CPT code 99080 be reimbursed by Medicare. (Directive to Take Action)

Fiscal Note: Not yet determined

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