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## MedStar Family Choice Maryland HealthChoice

### Remote Ultrasound and Fetal Nonstress Tests Coverage

Effective October 1, 2024, Maryland Medicaid began covering remote ultrasound procedures and fetal nonstress tests to eligible pregnant participants under certain conditions as required by House Bill 1078 – *Maryland Medical Assistance Program-Remote Ultrasound Procedures and Remote Fetal Nonstress Tests*.

#### Remote services are covered when:

- The patient is at home or another location outside the provider's office.
- The provider follows the same standard of care as for in-office services.
- The provider is HIPAA-compliant and enrolled in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and has an active status in ePREP on the date of service.

#### Remote nonstress testing and ultrasound equipment must:

- Meet the outpatient and hospital standard of use and use digital technology to collect health data from the patient and to securely transmit data electronically to the healthcare provider in an alternate location for interpretation.
- Ensure all remote fetal nonstress tests documentation includes the fetal heart rate, maternal heart rate, and uterine activity, using FDA-approved monitoring solutions.

**Reimbursement:** The reimbursement for remote tests and procedures is the same as an on-site test or procedure and must occur and be billed with place of service codes 10 -Telehealth provided in the Patient's Home or 12 Home where the patient receives care in a private residence.

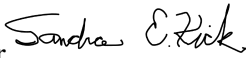
To view the full transmittal and covered CPT codes for remote testing, refer to the attached Maryland Medicaid Assistance Programs MCO Transmittal #234 / Physician Transmittal #174 dated January 6, 2025.



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**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**  
**MCO Transmittal No. 234**  
**Physician Transmittal No. 174**  
**Behavioral Health Services Organization Transmittal No. 33**  
**January 6, 2025**

**TO:** Managed Care Organizations  
 Physicians  
 Home Health Agencies  
 Nurse Midwives  
 Hospitals  
 Clinics  
 Federally Qualified Health Centers

**FROM:** Sandra Kick, Director   
 Medical Benefits Management

**RE:** Remote Ultrasound Procedures and Remote Fetal Nonstress Tests Effective October 1, 2024

**NOTE:** **Please ensure that the appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the content of this transmittal.**

The purpose of this transmittal is to notify HealthChoice managed care organizations (MCOs), facilities, and providers that effective October 1, 2024, Maryland Medicaid will provide remote ultrasound procedures and remote fetal nonstress tests to eligible pregnant participants under certain circumstances as required by House Bill 1078—*Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Remote Ultrasound Procedures and Remote Fetal Nonstress Tests*.

Remote services are covered under the following conditions:

- If the patient is in a residence or another location outside the provider's office
- The provider adheres to the same standard of care as for in-office services
- The provider is in compliance with the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), and
- The provider is enrolled with an active status as a Maryland Medical Assistance Program provider on the date the service is rendered and meets the requirements for participation outlined in COMAR 10.09.36.03. Reimbursement for a remote fetal nonstress test and remote ultrasound procedure is the same as an on-site test or procedure. Services must be

identified and billed using the following place of service (POS) codes 10 or 12 to indicate remote delivery:

- POS 10: Telehealth Provided in Patient's Home. The location where health services and health related services are provided or received, through telecommunication technology. Patient is located in their home (which is a location other than a hospital or other facility where the patient receives care in a private residence) when receiving health services or health related services through telecommunication technology.
- POS 12: Home. Location, other than a hospital or other facility, where the patient receives care in a private residence.

All remote fetal nonstress testing and ultrasound equipment should meet the standard for use as outpatient and hospital based equipment. The equipment should use digital technology to collect health data from the patient and electronically transmit the information in a secure manner to the health care provider in a different location for interpretation. A remote fetal nonstress test must use FDA monitoring solutions for use of the capture and documentation of the following:

- Fetal Heart Rate
- Maternal Heart Rate
- Uterine Activity

The covered Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes that were expanded to permit remote testing are listed in the table below.

CPT Code	Description	FFS Reimbursement
76801	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; complete, first trimester (<14 weeks, 0 days)	\$101.98
76802	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; each additional gestation	\$59.63
76805	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; complete, after first trimester (≥14 weeks, 0 days)	\$114.13
76810	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; each additional gestation	\$76.82
76811	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; detailed fetal anatomic examination	\$170.09

76812	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; each additional gestation for detailed exam	\$164.55
76813	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; first trimester fetal nuchal translucency measurement	\$100.47
76814	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; each additional gestation for nuchal translucency	\$64.61
76815	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; limited (e.g., fetal heartbeat, placental location, fetal position)	\$70.37
76816	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; follow-up or repeat (e.g., re-evaluation of fetal growth, amniotic fluid, or fetal position)	\$93.02
76817	Ultrasound, pregnant uterus, real-time with image documentation; transvaginal	\$78.03
76818	Fetal biophysical profile; with non-stress testing (NST)	\$99.02
76819	Fetal biophysical profile; without NST	\$78.35
76820	Doppler velocimetry, fetal; umbilical artery	\$47.27
76821	Doppler velocimetry, fetal; middle cerebral artery	\$77.68
76825	Ultrasound, fetal echocardiography, real-time with image documentation; fetal heart anatomy and function, complete	\$223.29
76826	Ultrasound, fetal echocardiography, real-time with image documentation; follow-up or repeat study	\$131.43
76827	Ultrasound, Doppler echocardiography, fetal; complete	\$62.98
76828	Ultrasound, Doppler echocardiography, fetal; follow-up or repeat study	\$46.09
59025	Fetal non-stress test (NST)	\$45.87

For additional information, go to the Professional Services Provider Manual and Fee Schedule at:  
<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/Pages/Provider-Information.aspx>.

For questions regarding Medicaid's reproductive health services, providers should contact the  
Pregnancy and Family Planning Helpline at 1-800-456-8900.