

Provider Bulletin

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First Choice Health will be updating our pricing methodology for all maternity related anesthesia claims billed with CPT code 01967 (neuraxial labor analgesia/anesthesia for planned vaginal delivery). All claims received on or after December 1st will be priced as follows:

- The anesthesia time units for 01967 are calculated at 15 minute increments for the first hour (4 units) and 60 minute increments for subsequent hours (1 unit).

We are making this change as maternity related anesthesia reimbursement varies slightly due to the nature of the neuraxial labor analgesia where personal attendance by the anesthesiologist or CRNA is not required throughout the procedure. This is a pricing change and applies to any date of service sent for pricing on or after December 1, 2019.

The Provider Manual will be updated on December 1, 2019 to reflect these changes. If you have any questions regarding the content of this bulletin, please email ProviderRelations@fchn.com and we will respond within 24 business hours.