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TRICARE REIMBURSEMENT MANUAL (TRM)

The TRICARE Management Activity has authorized the following addition(s)/  
revision(s) to the 6010.55-M, issued August 2002.

**CHANGE TITLE:** REIMBURSEMENT OF CERTAIN LABORATORY  
PROCEDURES (URINALYSIS BY DIPSTICK)

**PAGE CHANGE(S):** See page 2.

**SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S):** This change allows separate reimbursement for  
urinalysis by dipstick when billed with an Evaluation and Management (E&M) CPT  
code. This brings TRICARE's reimbursement policy in line with Medicare's  
reimbursement policy.

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