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TO: DC Medicaid Providers

FROM: Eugene Simms
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SUBJECT: 2023 CPT/HCPCS Mid-Year Code Update

Purpose

The purpose of this transmittal is to inform all DC Medicaid Providers that effective October 1, 2023, the fee schedule will be changed.

Each quarter the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) releases modifications of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code set. Level I of the HCPCS are CPT (Current Procedural Terminology) codes, maintained by the American Medical Association, that are used primarily to identify laboratory or vaccine administration services and procedures furnished by physicians and other health care professionals. Level II of the HCPCS is a standardized coding system that is used primarily to identify products, supplies, and services not included in the CPT codes, such as prescription drug products and durable medical equipment (DME).

For additional information about the HCPCS code set, please visit the CMS website at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MedHCPCSGenInfo/>

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) adopts new quarterly CPT-HCPCS codes that align with policy. The new codes will be priced in accordance with the authority established under the District of Columbia's Medicaid State Plan (Attachment 4.19B, Part I, Pages 13-14) most physician services, physician-administered drugs, DME, and laboratory services are reimbursed at eighty percent (80%) of the Medicare rates as established by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The exceptions are that certain primary care physicians who have qualified for an enhanced rate, certain DME items, and chemotherapy-related physician-administered drugs are paid at one hundred percent (100%) of the Medicare rate.

The listing of new 2023 CPT/HCPCS codes with their associated short descriptions and Medicaid coverage status (for new codes) is attached to this transmittal. Changes to coverage for existing codes during calendar year 2023 may also be included in this transmittal. For long descriptions, please consult your CPT and HCPCS resources. This transmittal with the list of

CPT/HCPCS changes for 2023 will also be available at the DC Medicaid website <http://www.dc-medicaid.com> by October 1, 2023.

Contact

The full fee schedule is available on the DC Medicaid Web Portal. For questions, please call the Conduent Provider Inquiry Unit at (202) 906-8319 (inside DC metro area) or 1-866-752-9233 (outside DC Metro area).

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