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TO: Dentists, Independent Clinics,
Hospitals - Chief Executive Officer

ROUTE TO: Hospital Chief Medical Officer,
Billing and Accounting Offices

SUBJECT: Dental Procedure Codes
Use of Quadrant Designation

BACKGROUND: As part of the transition to Paramax as the New Jersey Medicaid Fiscal Agent, the requirement that quadrant codes be used when billing for certain procedure codes was dropped.

It has now been determined that this change may result in provider difficulties concerning the duplicate claims editing. Therefore, the New Jersey Medicaid program is reinstating the requirement that quadrant codes be used when billing for certain dental services.

ACTION: For claims submitted on or after September 1, 1993, the appropriate quadrant codes must be entered in Field 17 F. (Tooth Code) of the Dental Claim Form, MC-10, for select dental procedures (see attached sample).

Acceptable quadrant values are as follows:

UL - Upper Left
UR - Upper Right
LL - Lower Left
LR - Lower Right

The codes requiring the quadrant values are:

04210 - Gingivectomy or Gingivoplasty
04220 - Gingival Curettage
04341 - Periodontal Scaling and Root Planning
04272 - Apically repositioning Flap Procedure

- 07310 - Alveoloplasty in Conjunction with Extraction
- 07320 - Alveoloplasty not in Conjunction with Extraction
- 07350 - Vestibuloplasty...
- 09951 22 - Occlusal Adjustment
- 04260 - Osseous Surgery
- 07470 - Removal of Exostosis

When billing any of the above procedure codes together with the appropriate quadrant code, enter 1 in the Units Requested Field (17D) on the MC-10 claim form. Failure to do so may cause your claim to be pended for Edit Code 733 - "Claim Exceeds Limit of One Unit of Service."

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