

TO: Physicians
For Information Only: Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs)

SUBJECT: Updates to the HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)

EFFECTIVE: Claims with service dates on or after January 1, 1996, unless otherwise indicated below

PURPOSE: To notify physicians of additions, deletions and changes to physician procedure codes, including those identified by the HCFA Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) CPT-4, Level II and Level III procedure codes.

ACTION: The New Jersey Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) has included (1) HCPCS procedure codes described in N.J.A.C. 10:54, Subchapter 9, as adopted at 28 N.J.R. 906 - 1015 on February 5, 1996; (2) HCPCS procedure codes which have been added to N.J.A.C. 10:54-9; and (3) HCPCS procedure codes which have been deleted from N.J.A.C. 10:54-9. These HCPCS procedure codes reflect those medical services which are reimbursable by the New Jersey Medicaid program, as well as their assigned Medicaid maximum fee allowances.

Attachment A includes those procedure codes which have been **added** to N.J.A.C. 10:54-9. Please note that these HCPCS procedure codes are effective for claims with service dates on or after January 1, 1996, unless an earlier effective date is indicated in Attachment A.

Attachment B includes those procedure codes which have been **deleted** from N.J.A.C. 10:54-9. The HCPCS procedure codes in Attachment B shall continue to be effective for claims with service dates prior to February 28, 1997.

Attachment C includes N.J.A.C. 10:54, Subchapter 9 (dated 9/96) which replaces Subchapter 4 included in your Physician Services Manual. Those HCPCS procedure codes in Attachment C which are not included in Attachment A, are codified in the New Jersey Administrative Code.

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