



State of New Jersey
Department of Human Services
Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services

MEDICAID ALERT

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TO: Physicians

SUBJECT: Routine Venipuncture

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

BACKGROUND: It has been brought to the attention of the New Jersey Medicaid program that physicians may be using, in error, the HCPCS procedure code 36410 for billing for routine venipuncture for Medicaid recipients.

ACTION: Please carefully review your use of HCPCS procedure codes when billing for routine venipuncture.

Use the HCPCS procedure code 36415 when billing for ROUTINE VENIPUNCTURE FOR THE COLLECTION OF SPECIMEN(S).

Do not use HCPCS procedure code 36410 for billing for routine venipuncture.

Questions regarding this Medicaid Alert should be directed to the Office of Medical Affairs and Provider Relations, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, (609) 588-2721.

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