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TO: Acute Outpatient Hospitals and Hospital-Licensed Health Centers Participating in MassHealth

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RE: **2005 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Coding Update**

Introduction

The federal government has revised the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) for MassHealth billing.

For dates of service on or after January 1, 2005, service codes discontinued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and deleted by the American Medical Association *Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)* for 2005 will no longer be payable by MassHealth. Services described by these codes may be billed with replacement codes. Replacement codes are Level 1 HCPCS codes from any year, including 2005, that replace the 2005 "deleted" codes. MassHealth will pay only for new 2005 HCPCS code additions that are replacing the 2005 deleted codes.

MassHealth will not be adopting any other 2005 HCPCS code additions at this time. MassHealth will be reviewing the remainder of the 2005 HCPCS code additions and changes and will determine coverage policies and other requirements at a later date. Providers will receive a transmittal letter and updated version of Subchapter 6 for their provider manual when the final review of 2005 HCPCS code additions is complete.

The 2005 deleted codes and HCPCS additions that are payable for dates of service on or after January 1, 2005, are attached to this bulletin.

Payment

The 2005 HCPCS code additions attached to this bulletin are payable services in addition to the services described in Subchapter 6 of your provider manual. In accordance with MassHealth regulations, payments are subject to the terms and conditions of 130 CMR 410.000 and 450.000.

Questions

If you have any questions, please contact MassHealth Provider Services at 617-628-4141 or 1-800-5231.

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Updates to MassHealth's List of Payable Codes for Acute Outpatient Hospitals

Listed below are the service codes that replace HCPCS codes that have been deleted in 2005 and are payable by MassHealth for dates of service on or after January 1, 2005. Providers should refer to www.cms.hhs.gov for service descriptions.

52402	88187
78811	88188
78812	88189
78813	91034
79005	91035
79101	91037
79445	91038
88184	92620
88185	92621

Discontinued Service Codes for Acute Outpatient Hospitals

The following codes are deleted for 2005 and are no longer payable by MassHealth for dates of service on or after January 1, 2005. Providers should refer to www.cms.hhs.gov for service descriptions.

35161	79020
35162	79030
35582	79035
50559	79100
50578	79400
50959	79420
50978	79900
52347	88180
78810	91032
78990	91033
79000	92589
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