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Transmittal Letter CHC-111

September 2018



**TO:** Community Health Centers Participating in MassHealth

**FROM:** Daniel Tsai, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth

**RE:** *Community Health Center Manual* 2018 HCPCS Code Updates

This letter transmits revisions to Subchapter 6 of the *Community Health Center Manual*.

**2018 HCPCS/CPT Updates**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has revised the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes for 2018. MassHealth has updated Subchapter 6 of the *Community Health Center Manual* to incorporate those 2018 HCPCS/CPT service codes updates, as applicable. Providers must use the new codes to obtain reimbursement **for dates of service on or after January 1, 2018**.

Participating Community Health Centers (CHCs) must refer to the American Medical Association’s *Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)* 2018 codebook or the Healthcare Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Level II codebook for service descriptions of the codes listed in Subchapter 6 of the *Community Health Center Manual*.

**Please note**: MassHealth pays for the services represented by the codes listed in Subchapter 6 in effect at the time of service, subject to all conditions and limitations in MassHealth regulations, including but not limited to 130 CMR 405.000 and 450.000. A CHC may request prior authorization (PA) for any medically necessary service reimbursable under the federal Medicaid Act, in accordance with 130 CMR 450.144, 42 U.S.C. 1396d(a) and 42 U.S.C. 1396d(r)(5), for a MassHealth Standard or CommonHealth member younger than 21 years of age, even if it is not designated as covered or payable in the *Community Health Center Manual*.

**Billing for Service at School Based Sites**

Effective immediately, when billing for services provided in a school based setting, CHCs should enter the place of service (POS) code 03 in the appropriate data field on the claim to indicate where the service was rendered.

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**Questions**

If you have any questions about the information in this transmittal letter, please contact the MassHealth Customer Service Center at 1-800-841-2900, e-mail your inquiry to [providersupport@mahealth.net](mailto:providersupport@mahealth.net), or fax your inquiry to 617-988-8974.

NEW MATERIAL

(The pages listed here contain new or revised language.)

Community Health Center Manual

Pages 6-1 through 6-18

OBSOLETE MATERIAL

(The pages listed here are no longer in effect.)

Community Health Center Manual

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Pages 6-15 through 6-20 — transmitted by Transmittal Letter CHC-110

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601 Introduction and Explanation of Abbreviations

MassHealth pays for the services represented by the codes listed in Subchapter 6 in effect at the time of service, subject to all conditions and limitations in MassHealth regulations at 130 CMR 405.000 and 450.000: *Administrative and Billing Regulations*. A community health center may request prior authorization (PA) for any medically necessary service reimbursable under the federal Medicaid Act in accordance with 130 CMR 450.144, 42 U.S.C. 1396d(a), and 42 U.S.C. 1396d(r)(5) for a MassHealth Standard or CommonHealth member younger than 21 years of age, even if it is not designated as covered or payable in Subchapter 6 of the *Community Health Center Manual*.

For complete descriptions of the service codes listed in Subchapter 6, MassHealth providers must refer to the American Medical Association’s latest *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) codebook and to the HCPCS Level II codebook (or the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services website at [www.cms.gov](http://www.cms.gov)).

The following abbreviations are used in Subchapter 6.

1. PA indicates that service-specific prior authorization is required. See 130 CMR 450.303 for more information.
2. IC indicates that the claim will receive individual consideration to determine payment. A descriptive report must accompany the claim. See 130 CMR 450.271.
3. SP indicates that the procedure is commonly performed as part of a total service and does not usually warrant a separate fee. The procedure must be performed separately to receive the separate fee.
4. CS-18 or CS-21 indicates that a completed Sterilization Consent Form (CS-18 for members aged 18 through 20; CS-21 form for members aged 21 and older) must be submitted. See 130 CMR 405.428 through 405.430 for more information.
5. CS-18\* or CS-21\* indicates that a completed Sterilization Consent Form (CS-18 for members aged 18 through 20; CS -21 form for members aged 21 and older) must be submitted except if the conditions of 130 CMR 405.430(D)(2) and (3) are met. See 130 CMR 405.428 through 405.430 for more information and other submission requirements.
6. HI-1: A completed Hysterectomy Information Form must be submitted. See 130 CMR 405.424 for more information.

**Note:** Rates paid by MassHealth for covered codes under this Appendix T for drugs, vaccines, and immune globulins administered in a provider’s office are as specified in 101 CMR 317.00: *Medicine*. Subject to any other applicable provision in 101 CMR 317.00, the payment rates for these MassHealth-covered codes for drugs, vaccines and immune globulins administered in the provider’s office, are equal to the fees listed in the Quarterly Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File (see 101 CMR 317.03(1)(c)2 and 317.04(1)(a)). For applicable codes for drugs, vaccines, and immune globulins administered in a provider’s office that are listed in Section 604 below with “IC”, payment set by IC will apply until such time as the code is listed and a rate set in the Quarterly ASP Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File, consistent with 101 CMR 317.04(1)(a).

602 Payable Radiology Service Codes

This section lists radiology service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

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603 Payable Laboratory Service Codes

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604 Payable Visit and Vaccine Service Codes

This section lists visit and vaccine service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

When claiming payment for visits or vaccines, a CHC must bill according to the following service codes. A visit during which a member sees more than one professional for the same medical problem or general purpose must be claimed as only one visit. (See 130 CMR 405.421 for other requirements.) The cost of the administration of the vaccine is included in the CHC visit rate and is not separately payable.

(A) The following visit and associated service codes have special requirements or limitations.

Service

Code Modifier Special Requirement or Limitation

D9450 Use only for dental enhancement fee. This code may only be billed once per date of service for each member receiving dental services on that date. The dental enhancement fee may not be billed for a fluoride varnish application separately or in addition to a medical visit.

J3490 Use for injectable and infusible drugs and devices supplied in the clinic. Do not use for medications and injectables related to family planning services. (IC)

T1015 Use for individual medical visit.

T1015 HQ Use for group clinic visit.

90791 Use for psychiatric diagnostic evaluation.

90792 Use for psychiatric diagnostic evaluation with medical services.

90832 Use for psychotherapy, 30 minutes with patient and/or family member.

90834 Use for psychotherapy, 45 minutes with patient and/or family member.

90836 Use for psychotherapy, 45 minutes with patient and/or family member when performed with an evaluation and management services (list separately in addition to the code for primary procedure).

90837 Use for psychotherapy, 60 minutes with patient and/or family.

90853 Use for group psychotherapy (other than of a multiple-family group) (per person not to exceed 10 clients).

90882 Environmental intervention for medical management purposes on a psychiatric patient’s behalf with agencies, employers, or institutions.

99050 Use for urgent care Monday through Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:59 a.m., and Saturday 7:00 a.m. to Monday 6:59 a.m. This code may be billed in addition to the individual medical visit.

99188 Covered for children younger than age 21. The CHC may bill for a medical visit in addition to the fluoride varnish application only if fluoride varnish was not the sole service, treatment, or procedure provided during the visit.

99213 Use for medication management visit.

99402 Use for HIV counseling visits.

(B) This section lists evaluation and management visit service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

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(C) This section lists evaluation and management visit service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

The following vaccine administration service codes are payable in addition to the evaluation and management visit service codes in this Section 604(B), provided that the vaccine administration is a medically necessary, separately identifiable service. Under these circumstances, the CHC may append modifier 25 to the evaluation and management visit service code. See MassHealth *All Provider Bulletin 236* for additional information.

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(D) The following vaccine service codes have special requirements or limitations.

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Code Special Requirement or Limitation

90476 Adenovirus vaccine, type 4, live, for oral use (IC)

90477 Adenovirus vaccine, type 7, live, for oral use (IC)

90581 Anthrax vaccine, for subcutaneous or intramuscular use (IC)

90585 Bacillus Calmette-Guerin vaccine (BCG) for tuberculosis, live, for percutaneous use

90620 Meningococcal recombinant protein and outer membrane vesicle vaccine, serogroup B (men), 2 dose schedule for intramuscular use. (IC)

90621 Meningococcal recombinant lipoprotein vaccine, serogroup B (MenB), 3 dose schedule, for intramuscular use. (IC)

90625 Cholera vaccine, live, adult dosage, 1 dose schedule for oral use. (IC)

90630 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90632 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90633 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age (IC)

90636 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90651 Covered for members aged 19 to 26; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than19 years of age. (IC)

90654 Covered for adults >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90656 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age.

90658 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90660 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90661 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90662 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90664 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90666 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90667 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90668 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90670 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90672 Covered for members aged 19 to 49; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90673 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90676 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90682 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90686 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90688 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90690 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90696 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90707 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90710 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90713 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children under 19 years of age. (IC)

90714 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90715 Covered for members > 19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90716 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than19 years of age. (IC)

90732 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than19 years of age.

90733 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90734 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age. (IC)

90736 PA is required for members < age 50. (IC)

90738 Japanese encephalitis virus vaccine, inactivated, for intramuscular use (IC)

90739 Covered for members >19 (IC)

90746 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age.

90749 Unlisted vaccine/toxoid (IC)

90750 PA is required for members < age 50. (IC)

90756 Covered for members >19; available free of charge through the Massachusetts Immunization Program for children younger than 19 years of age.

605 Payable Obstetrics Service Codes

This section lists obstetrics service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

See 130 CMR 405.422 through 405.426 for other requirements.

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606 Payable Surgery Service Codes

This section lists surgery service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

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58150 (HI-1 form required; PA for Gender Dysphoria-Related Services Only)

58180 (HI-1 form required; PA or Gender Dysphoria-Related Services Only)

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58541 (HI-1 form required; PA for Gender Dysphoria- Related Services Only)

58542 (HI-1 form required; PA for Gender Dysphoria- Related Services Only)

58543 (HI-1 form required; PA for Gender Dysphoria-Related Services Only)

58544 (HI-1 form required; PA for Gender Dysphoria-Related Services Only)

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58600 (CS-18 or CS-21 required)

58605 (CS-18 or CS-21 required) (SP)

58611 (CS-18 or CS-21 required)

58615 (CS-18 or CS-21 required)

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58661 (CS-18\* or CS-21\* required; PA for Gender Dysphoria-Related Services Only)

58670 (CS-18 or CS-21 required)

58671 (CS-18 or CS-21 required)

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58720 (CS-18\* or CS-21\* required; PA for Gender Dysphoria-Related Services Only)

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607 Payable Nurse-Midwife Service Codes

This section lists nurse-midwife service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

See 130 CMR 405.427 for requirements. When billing for delivery services performed by a nurse midwife, the provider must use a modifier.

Service

Code Modifier Special Requirement or Limitation

T1015 TH Use for a medical visit with a nurse midwife for a prenatal or postpartum service.

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608 Payable Audiology Service Codes

This section lists audiology service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

See 130 CMR 405.461 through 405.463 for other requirements.

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609 Payable Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT): Health Assessment Service Codes

This section lists health assessment service codes that are payable under MassHealth. The cost of the administration of the vaccine is included in the EPSDT visit rate and is not separately payable.

See 130 CMR 450.140 through 450.149 for other requirements.

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610 Payable Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT): Audiometric Hearing and Vision Test Service Codes

This section lists audiometric hearing and vision test service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

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611 Payable Tobacco-Cessation Service Codes

This section lists tobacco-cessation service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

Service

Code Modifier Special Requirement or Limitation

99407 At least 30 minutes; eligible providers are physicians employed by community health centers.

99407 HN At least 30 minutes; eligible providers are physician assistants employed by community health centers.

99407 HQ For an individual in a group setting, 60-90 minutes; eligible providers are physicians employed by community health centers.

99407 SA At least 30 minutes; eligible providers are nurse practitioners employed by community health centers.

99407 SB At least 30 minutes; eligible providers are nurse midwives employed by community health centers.

99407 TD At least 30 minutes; eligible providers are registered nurses employed by community health centers.

99407 TF Intake assessment for an individual, at least 45 minutes; eligible providers are physicians employed by community health centers.

99407 U1 At least 30 minutes; eligible providers are tobacco cessation counselors employed by community health centers.

99407 U2 Intake assessment for an individual, at least 45 minutes; eligible providers are nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, physician assistant, registered nurse, and tobacco cessation counselor.

99407 U3 For an individual in a group setting, 60-90 minutes; eligible providers are nurse practitioners, nurse midwives, physician assistants, registered nurses, and tobacco cessation counselors.

612 Payable Medical Nutrition Therapy and Diabetes Self-Management Training Service Codes

This section lists medical nutrition therapy and diabetes self-management training service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

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613 Payable Behavioral Health Screening Tool Service Codes

This section lists behavioral health screening tool service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

The administration and scoring of standardized behavioral-health screening tools selected from the

approved menu of tools found in [Appendix W](http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/masshealth/providermanual/appx-w-all.pdf) of your MassHealth provider manual is covered for members

(except MassHealth Limited) from birth to 21 years of age. **Service Code 96110** must be accompanied by one of the modifiers listed below to indicate whether a behavioral health need was identified.\*

Service

Code Modifier Special Requirement or Limitation

96110 U1 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; with no behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are physicians employed by community health centers.)

96110 U2 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized

behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; and behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are physicians employed by community health centers.)

96110 U3 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; with no behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are nurse midwives employed by community health centers.)

96110 U4 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized

behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; and behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are nurse midwives employed by community health centers.)

96110 U5 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized

behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; with no behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are nurse practitioners employed by community health centers.)

96110 U6 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; and behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are nurse practitioners employed by community health centers.)

96110 U7 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; with no behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are physician assistants employed by community health centers.)

96110 U8 Covered for members birth to 21 for the administration and scoring of a standardized behavioral health screening tool from the approved menu of tools found in Appendix W of your MassHealth provider manual; and behavioral health need identified\* (Eligible providers are physician assistants employed by community health centers.)

96110 UD Covered for members birth to 6 months for the administration and scoring of the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale. UD must be used together with one of the above modifiers, U1–U8.

*\* “Behavioral health need identified” means the provider administering the screening tool, in his or her professional judgment, identifies a child with a potential behavioral health services need.*

614 Payable Postpartum Depression Screening Tools

**Service Code S3005** is used for the performance measurement and evaluation of patient self-assessment and depression. **Code S3005** must be accompanied by one of the modifiers below to indicate whether a behavioral health need was identified.

Modifier Description

U1 Perinatal Care Provider – Positive Screen: completed prenatal or postpartum depression screening and behavioral health need identified.

U2 Perinatal Care Provider – Negative Screen: completed prenatal or postpartum depression screening with no behavioral health need identified.

Please refer to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health’s (DPH) postpartum depression (PPD) screening tool grid for any revisions to the list of MassHealth-approved screening tools: [www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/programs/family-health/postpartum-depression/postpartum- depression-tools.html.](http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/programs/family-health/postpartum-depression/postpartum-depression-tools.html)

615 Payable Acupuncture Service Codes

This section lists acupuncture service codes that are payable under MassHealth.

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616 Modifiers

The following service code modifiers are allowed for billing under MassHealth. Modifier Description

24 Unrelated evaluation and management service by the same physician during a postoperative period

25 Significant, separately identifiable evaluation and management service by the same physician or other qualified health care professional on the same day of the procedure or other service

26 Professional component

50 Bilateral procedure

51 Multiple procedures

54 Surgical care only

57 Decision for surgery

58 Staged or related procedure or service by the same physician or other qualified health care professional during the postoperative period

59 Distinct procedural service (may be used only with service code 81211)

62 Two surgeons

66 Surgical team

78 Unplanned return to the operating/procedure room by the same physician or other qualified health care professional following initial procedure for a related procedure during the postoperative period

79 Unrelated procedure or service by the same physician or other qualified health care professional during the postoperative period

80 Assistant surgeon

82 Assistant surgeon (when qualified resident surgeon not available)

91 Repeat clinical diagnostic laboratory test

99 Multiple modifiers

LT Left side (used to identify procedures performed on the left side of the body)

QW CLIA waived test

RT Right side (used to identify procedures performed on the right side of the body)

TC Technical Component

XE Separate Encounter: a service that is distinct because it occurred during a separate encounter

XP Separate Practitioner: a service that is distinct because it was performed by a different practitioner

XS Separate Structure: a service that is distinct because it was performed on a separate organ/structure

XU Unusual Non-Overlapping Service: the use of a service that is distinct because it does not overlap usual components of the main service

The following modifiers are for Provider Preventable Conditions that are National Coverage Determinations.

Modifier Description

PA Surgical or other invasive procedure on wrong body part

PB Surgical or other invasive procedure on wrong patient

PC Wrong surgery or other invasive procedure on patient

For more information on the use of these modifiers, see Appendix V of your provider manual.

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