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TO: School-Based Medicaid Providers Participating in MassHealth
FROM: Julian J. Harris, M.D., Medicaid Director 
RE: **HIPAA 5010 Diagnosis Code Requirement for School-Based Medicaid Providers**

New Requirement

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has mandated that, effective January 1, 2012, the standards for electronic health care transactions must change from version 4010/4010A1 to version 5010. (See [All Provider Bulletin 210](#).) School-Based Medicaid providers are **not** exempt from this new requirement. (See [All Provider Bulletin 216](#).)

School-Based Medicaid Providers

Effective January 1, 2012, **all** School-Based Medicaid providers submitting claims via electronic, paper, or direct data entry (DDE) transactions must include a valid diagnosis code on the claim.

Providers must use the ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes or, if applicable, the diagnosis codes from the DSM-IV-TR (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 4th Edition Text Revision) to report student condition at the time of service.

Providers may use diagnosis code 315.9 (Unspecified delay in development) for all claims to report student general condition.

All-Electronic Claims Submission Effective January 1, 2012

Please Note: Effective January 1, 2012, all providers must submit claims electronically unless MassHealth has approved the provider's request for an electronic claim submission waiver.

Please refer to the following documents and Web page for additional information.

- [All Provider Bulletin 212](#) (important claims submission policy changes)
 - [All Provider Bulletin 217](#) (waiver policy for claim submissions)
 - www.mass.gov/masshealth/5010 (information about the 5010 implementation, testing, timelines, billing and companion guides, job aids, and other documents)
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Effective Date

This change is effective January 1, 2012.

Questions

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