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Contact: Refer to Responsible Units

TO: Behavioral Health Clinics, Dialysis Clinics, Family Planning Clinics, and Medical Clinics

RE: 2015 Clinic Fee Schedules HIPAA Compliant Update

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2015 and forward, the Department of Social Services is incorporating the 2015 HCPCS changes (additions, deletions and description changes) to its clinic fee schedules. The Department is making these changes to ensure that the clinic fee schedules remain compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. There are minor changes to the Behavioral Health Clinic, Dialysis Clinic and Family Planning Clinic Fee Schedules. The change to the Medical Clinic Fee Schedule, which requires billing guidance, is outlined below.

Medical Clinics - Behavioral Health Screens

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2015 and forward there will be a new CPT code for billing behavioral health screens (BH screens).

- 96127 (brief emotional or behavioral assessment)

Medical Clinics should use CPT code 96127 when billing for BH screens instead of CPT code 96110. Medical Clinics should continue to use CPT code 96110 when billing for developmental screens and should note that the description has been revised in order to distinguish it from CPT code 96127.

- 96110 developmental screening (e.g., developmental milestone survey, speech and language delay screen) with scoring and documentation, per standardized instrument

As communicated in PB 2014-43 the Department requires medical clinics to use modifiers U3 (positive developmental / BH screen) and U4 (negative developmental / BH screen) when billing for developmental and behavioral health screens for HUSKY Health clients under the age of eighteen. This policy will continue to be required for developmental screens billed as CPT code 96110, and effective for dates of service January 1, 2015 and forward, will be required for BH screens billed as CPT code 96127. Please refer to PB 2014-43 and PB 2014-58 for more information regarding developmental and behavioral health screens, including how to locate validated tools.

Please note while the Department encourages behavioral health clinics to utilize the U3 and U4

modifiers, as applicable, use of the modifiers is not a requirement for Behavioral Health Clinic claims submission.

These changes apply to services reimbursed under HUSKY Health (HUSKY A, B, C and D) for dates of service January 1, 2015 and forward.

Accessing the Fee Schedules:

The updated fee schedules can be accessed and downloaded by accessing the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site: www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download". Click on the "I accept" button and proceed to click on the appropriate "clinic" fee schedule. To access the CSV file, press the control key while clicking the CSV link, then select "Open".

For questions about billing or if further assistance is needed to access the fee schedule on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site, please contact the HP Provider Assistance Center, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 1-800-842-8440.

Posting Instructions: Policy transmittals can be downloaded from the Web site at www.ctdssmap.com. Holders of the Connecticut Medical Assistant Program Provider Manual should replace their existing fee schedules with the new schedules.

Distribution: This policy transmittal is being distributed to providers of the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Provider Manual by HP Enterprise Services.

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