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To:

All Medical Providers

From:

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Subject:

Changes to Medicaid's Reimbursement of CPT Codes

Effective for claims with dates of service on or after **July 1, 2010**, Idaho Medicaid will no longer reimburse the following Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes:

Office or Other Outpatient Consultations and Inpatient Consultations

99241	99245	99253
99242	99251	99254
99243	99252	99255
99244		

You will need to use the appropriate CPT Evaluation and Management code for the services rendered. Admitting physicians must bill with an AI modifier. Consulting providers must put "Consult" in box 19 on the CMS HCFA 1500 form. If billing electronically, consultants must type "Consult" in the comment field. Failure to bill these procedures appropriately will result in delay or denial of payment for your claims.

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) made this policy change official in Transmittal 1875, Change Request 6740, issued December 14, 2009, effective January 1, 2010. You can find Transmittal 1875 on CMS's Web site at www.cms.gov.

You can access this information release and additional rate changes for these codes on the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's Web site at www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the senior financial specialist in the Division of Medicaid's Office of Reimbursement at (208) 287-1162.

Thank you for your continued participation in the Idaho Medicaid Program.

LMC/rs