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Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Information for Providers

To: Ambulatory Surgery Centers County/Tribal Social or Human Services Departments Family Planning Clinics Federally Qualified Health Centers HealthCheck Providers Independent Labs Inpatient Hospital Providers Nurse Midwives Nurse Practitioners Outpatient Hospital Providers Pharmacies Physician Assistants **Physician Clinics** Physicians

HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Facility Reimbursement for Sterilizations Provided to Family Planning Waiver Program Recipients

Facility charges incurred as a result of covered sterilizations provided to Family Planning Waiver Program recipients that are provided in outpatient hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers are reimbursable by Wisconsin Medicaid up to the Medicaid-allowed amount. However, claims for facility charges have been incorrectly denied.

Wisconsin Medicaid will initiate adjustments for facility charges that were incorrectly denied since January 1, 2003. Adjustments will appear on Medicaid remittance information beginning in September 2006. Providers will be notified in Remittance and Status Report messages when these adjustments begin processing.

To receive reimbursement for facility charges that were *not* previously submitted to Wisconsin Medicaid, outpatient hospital providers and ambulatory surgery centers are required to do the following:

Submit a claim according to normal claimsubmission procedures for dates of service(DOS) that are within the claim submissiondeadline.

- Submit a timely filing appeals request for
 DOS that are beyond the claim submission
 deadline. Timely filing appeals requests
 must be received by November 30, 2006,
 and include the following:
 - A Timely Filing Appeals Request form, HCF 13047 (Rev. 08/05). Providers should check the "Medicaid reconsideration" box and write "Update 2006-68" in the field labeled "Briefly explain the nature of the problem and previous efforts made to resolve the claims." (If multiple claims are submitted together, only one form is needed.)
 - ✓ A claim.

Providers should refer to the Claims Submission section of the All-Provider Handbook for more information about submitting timely filing appeals requests.

Refunding Recipient Payment

If payment for the facility charges was collected from the recipient, or authorized person acting on behalf of the recipient, the provider is required to refund the recipient in full.

Information Regarding Medicaid HMOs

This *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* contains Medicaid fee-for-service policy and applies to providers of services to recipients on fee-for-service Medicaid only. For Medicaid HMO or managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. Wisconsin Medicaid HMOs are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

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The Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Although the *Update* refers to Medicaid recipients, all information applies to BadgerCare recipients also.

Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare are administered by the Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, P.O. Box 309, Madison, WI 53701-0309.

For questions, call Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883 or visit our Web site at *dhfs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/*.

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