

Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program
To: Hospital Providers, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Procedure Codes Required with All Revenue Codes on Outpatient Hospital Claims

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2012, outpatient hospital providers are required to indicate the most appropriate, valid Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) or *Current Procedural Terminology* (CPT) procedure code with *all* revenue codes listed on an outpatient hospital claim. Outpatient hospital claim details lacking a valid HCPCS or CPT procedure code with the revenue code will be denied.

In addition, outpatient hospital claims must contain a type of visit on at least one detail line (e.g., indicating revenue code 0510 with CPT procedure code 99213). Outpatient hospital claims with no visit indicated may be denied. ForwardHealth is making these changes to prepare for a new claim pricing structure, known as Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Grouping, which is scheduled to be implemented January 1, 2013.

The policy outlined in this *ForwardHealth Update* is effective for *dates of service* on and after July 1, 2012, unlike two previous *Updates*, the March 2010 *Update* (2010-22), titled “ForwardHealth Now Requiring Outpatient Hospitals to Include HCPCS or CPT Codes with Most Revenue Codes on Claims,” and the July 2010 *Update* (2010-59), titled “Additional Revenue Codes Exempt from Requirement to Include HCPCS or CPT Codes on Outpatient Hospital Claims,” which outlined policy changes effective for dates of receipt.

The *ForwardHealth Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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