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Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid

To: Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Individual Medical Supply Providers, Medical Equipment Vendors, Nursing Homes, Occupational Therapists, Pharmacies, Physical Therapists, Rehabilitation Agencies, Therapy Groups, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Disposable Medical Supplies Procedure Code Clarification

This ForwardHealth Update provides clarification regarding the miscellaneous therapeutic items and supplies procedure code (T1999) and associated modifiers. Providers are instructed to refer to the information in this *Update* when submitting claims for IV supplies for dates of service on and after September 1, 2012.

Procedure Code Clarification

Effective for dates of service (DOS) on and after September 1, 2012, providers are required to submit the following procedure code and modifier combinations when submitting prior authorization (PA) requests and claims for IV supplies:

- For IV Valve Connector, use procedure code T1999 with modifier U8.
- For Multi Use, Intravenous Cap, Male/Female
 Luer Lock, use procedure code T1999 with modifier
- For Intravenous Pump Administration Set, use procedure code T1999 with modifier U7.

Effective for DOS on and after September 1, 2012, ForwardHealth will no longer accept procedure code T1999 with modifier 59 on PA requests and claims for IV supplies.

Previously Submitted Prior Authorization Requests and Claims

Providers who submitted PA requests for IV supplies before September 1, 2012, using previously accepted procedure code and modifier combinations are not required to make any changes to those PA requests. ForwardHealth will amend currently approved PA requests for IV supplies submitted with procedure code T1999 and modifier 59 to change the modifier to U8. When submitting claims for DOS on and after September 1, 2012, providers with approved PA requests must indicate procedure code T1999 and modifier U8 on the claim in order to be reimbursed.

Providers are not required to adjust claims for IV supplies that have already been reimbursed.

Additional Information Available in the Disposable Medical Supplies Index

A Portable Document Format (PDF) version of the Disposable Medical Supplies (DMS) Index is available on the Provider-specific Resources page of the ForwardHealth Portal. This user-friendly version will be updated periodically and includes a comprehensive list of allowable DMS procedure codes and modifiers, along with associated quantity limits and maximum allowable fee information.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

This ForwardHealth Update contains fee-for-service policy and applies to services members receive on a fee-for-service basis only. For managed care policy, contact the appropriate managed care organization. Managed care organizations are required to provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service arrangements.

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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