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Children's Treatment Program Termination

The Children's Treatment Program (CTP) will be terminated on June 30, 2009 due to cutbacks in the California Healthcare for Indigents Program/Rural Health Services Program funding. CTP reimburses Medi-Cal and Denti-Cal providers for follow-up treatment for any newly diagnosed condition detected as part of a Child Health and Disability Prevention Health Assessment. Providers must adhere to the following dates for CTP claims processing.

- CTP claims must have a Date-of-Service (DOS) no later than March 31, 2009.
- Providers must submit eligible CTP claims by May 31, 2009.

Providers should be aware of dates below for denial and payment of CTP claims.

- All CTP claims submitted after May 31, 2009 shall be denied.
- No payments for CTP claims will be made after December 31, 2009.

If you have questions regarding the CTP termination, please call Mr. Ernesto Cordova, Chief, Policy and Contract Back Program, Health Information Systems Program, California Department of Public Health Services, at (916) 552-8063.

Correction to November 2008 Bulletin: Billing Procedures D4341, D4342, and D4999 for Beneficiaries in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Intermediate Care Facility

Denti-Cal is correcting the November 2008 Bulletin Volume 24, Number 40 announcing a fee increase for periodontal services, Procedures D4341/D4342. The November 2008 bulletin stated that the fee increase applied to patients treated in a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) or an Intermediate Care Facility (ICF). The patient may be treated in or outside of the facility. This bulletin is correcting that language to reflect that the increase applies to patients residing in a SNF or an ICF. Should a patient residing in a SNF or ICF be treated outside of the facility, providers must still document the name, address and phone number of the facility and indicate Place of Service (POS) 08 on the Claim/TAR. In this instance, POS 08 should be utilized when the patient who is a resident of a SNF or ICF is treated in either the provider's office, a mobile van, surgery center or hospital setting.

The new benefit for Periodontal Maintenance, D4999, which was mentioned in the November 2008 bulletin, applies to patients residing in a SNF or ICF instead of the previous language that stated that patients must be treated in the facility. The same requirements above apply to document the name, address and phone number of the facility and to indicate the proper place of service (04, 05 or 08).

Please be reminded that patients who live in group homes, residential treatment facilities or other locations that do not have 24 hour medical supervision are not considered residents of SNFs or ICFs.

For questions, please contact the Denti-Cal Telephone Service Center at (800) 423-0507.