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Webpage Updates

- PES 2.19
- ECS Tec Specs
- Active NPI list
- Manuals and forms updated for NPI
- Fee Schedules
- Active Provider List

OVHA Extension

All but atypical providers should have and be using their NPI numbers now. Preparing for and transitioning to NPI has not been easy for anyone and VTMedicaid appreciates the effort made by providers to be NPI-compliant by the 5/23/07 federal deadline.

If you have your NPI/Taxonomy code combination but have not submitted it to VTMedicaid please advise us immediately.

Exceptions

VTMedicaid is aware that some providers are having problems passing their NPI/Taxonomy code combination to VTMedicaid. If you have your NPI/

Taxonomy code combination but cannot successfully pass it to VTMedicaid then you must inform EDS. VTMedicaid will work with you on your contingency plan until your NPI-compliance issues are resolved.

In no case will VTMedicaid extend the allowance for resolving NPI-compliance issues beyond 5/23/08.

Enumerator Letters

Each provider required to use NPI is required to submit a copy of their enumerator letter to EDS for verification purposes. Please write your current Medicaid provider ID number and the Taxonomy code that you intend to bill with on the enumerator letter if that informa-

tion is not already included. If there are multiple Taxonomy codes listed on the letter, please circle the one that offers the broadest general description of your specialty. The chosen Taxonomy code is the one that you will use for billing.

Enumerator letters may be sent to EDS by:

- Email: VTNPIcommunications@eds.com
- FAX: 802-878-3440
- Mail: EDS, PO Box 888, Williston, VT 05495

Taxonomy Codes ARE NOT in any way related to your tax ID! Please do not send your tax ID documentation.

To determine your Taxonomy code please review the master Taxonomy code list posted on

NPI Updates Continued

Email

VTMedicaid prefers email communication with the provider community. Email is the fastest way to disseminate program and policy updates. If you have not heard from us lately you may want to contact EDS to verify that your email address and/or mailing address on file is current. We have found many non-working email addresses in our files.

You can submit your email address or check your email address on file by emailing your request and VTMedicaid provider ID to:

vtmedicaidbanners.com

the Washington Publishing website: www.wpc-edi.com Follow the links to: *HIPAA Code Lists*, then *Health Care Provider Taxonomy Code Set*.

Compliance

This extension assumes that all providers are making a good faith effort to make the system changes necessary to process NPI-compliant claims. This flexibility in using either number will expire no later than May 23, 2008.

For a 12 month period after the compliance date (i.e., through May 23, 2008), CMS will not impose penalties on covered entities that deploy contingency plans if they have made reasonable and diligent efforts to become compliant and, in the case of health plans (that are not small health plans), to facilitate the compliance of their trading partners. Further information regarding CMS' Contingency Guidelines can be found

on their web site www.cms.hhs.gov

PES & NPI

Providers who submit claims electronically using EDS PES software are required to use PES 2.19 when using your NPI/Taxonomy code combination.

PES 2.19 is currently available on the VT Medicaid web site under Downloads, Software.

Tech Specs

The Companion Guide and technical specifications for electronic transactions have been updated to accommodate NPI requirements for submitting claims to VTMedicaid. The updated files are available online at: www.vtmedicaid.com under *Downloads, HIPPA Tools*.

It is essential that these new specifications be reviewed by all electronic billers not using the EDS supplied billing software - PES. Additional data elements are

now required to ensure proper payment and these changes are identified in the technical specifications.

For additional information on electronic transactions please contact the EDI Coordinator at 802-879-4450, option 3.

Updated Billing Forms

All billing forms used by the VTMedicaid program have been updated to accommodate NPI. The updated billing instructions are available online at: www.vtmedicaid.com

CMS/UB Forms?

Please be aware that as of 5/23/07, when you submit paper claims it is mandatory that you use the new claim forms updated to accommodate NPI. Claims submitted on old forms after 5/23/07 will be returned.

Billing instructions for completing the updated forms can be found at: www.vtmedicaid.com

Communications

Dental Claim Forms

With the implementation of NPI the only dental claim form that can accommodate the NPI and Taxonomy codes is the ADA 2006 form.

All dental providers should use this form in their NPI implementation. However, dentists using the Dentrax system have identified a problem with patient data placement. Therefore, VTMedicaid will accept patient data in either box 12 or 20 of ADA 2006, until Dentrax rectifies its system problem.

Dentists using Eagle Soft cannot generate a correct ADA 2006 claim until the fall. VTMedicaid will continue to accept the 1994 claim form with the Medicaid ID# from Eagle Soft users until Eagle Soft becomes NPI-compliant.

If your practice has not converted to the ADA 2006 form, please contact EDS immediately so we can work with you to come into compliance.

With the exception of Eagle Soft users who may continue to use the 1994 claim form until compliance issues are settled, VTMedicaid intends to stop accepting the 1994, 1999 and 2002 claim forms after the first of July. If you are unable to meet the July deadline please call EDS Provider Services and we will work with you on a compliance plan.

EDS Help Desk:

In State: 800-925-1706

Out of State: 802-878-7871

Coding Updates

'Electric Bed' Codes

Effective 6/25/07, the OVHA requires prior authorization for all electronic beds. Provid-

ers must have prior authorization to bill the following 'electric bed' procedure codes: E0194, E0260, E0261, E0265, E0266, E0270, E0294, E0295, E0296, E0297, E0301, E0302.

E0691 & E0694

Effective date of service 6/1/07, the OVHA has determined that procedure codes E0691 & E0694 (ultra violet light therapy) require prior authorization.

91132, 91133 & 94799

Effective date of service 7/1/2007 the OVHA has determined the following coding changes:

- Procedure codes 91132 and 91133 are non-covered codes.
- Procedure code 94799 requires prior authorization.

E0190

Effective date of service 7/1/07, the OVHA has determined procedure code E0190 requires prior authorization.

Contact Us

To request notifications via email:

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For EDI assistance:

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For EDS Provider Services:

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Monday through Friday,
7:45 — 4:30, excluding
holidays.

CPT Cat. III codes 0141T, 0142T & 0143T

Pancreatic Islet Cell Transplantation

Autologous pancreatic islet cell transplantation is medically necessary and covered by the OVHA for patients undergoing near-total or total pancreatic resection (pancreatectomy) for severe, refractory chronic pancreatitis.

Documentation in the patient's records must substantiate the coverage criteria as stated here.

Effective immediately, the following three CPT Category III procedure codes are currently active for these procedures:


0141T: Pancreatic islet cell transplantation through portal vein, percutaneous

0142T: Pancreatic islet cell transplantation through portal vein, open

0143T: Laparoscopy, surgical, pancreatic islet cell transplantation through portal vein



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