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**TO: Physicians, Physician Assistants, Certified Nurse-Midwives, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Podiatrists and Optometrists**

**RE: 1. 2018 HIPAA Compliant Updates-Physician-Anesthesia, Office and Outpatient and Surgical Fee Schedules**

**2. Update to Person-Centered Medical Home Program**

### **2018 HIPAA Compliant Updates**

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2018 and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is incorporating the 2018 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) to the Physician Anesthesia, Physician Office and Outpatient, and Physician Surgical fee schedules.

DSS is making these changes to ensure that these fee schedules remain compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

### **Update to Person-Centered Medical Home Program**

Effective for January 1, 2018 and forward, specific to the Person - Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Program enhanced reimbursement rates, DSS will update the codes eligible for PCMH enhanced reimbursement based on HIPAA compliant coding changes.

The following codes will be eligible for the PCMH enhanced reimbursement rates for dates of service January 1, 2018 and forward:

- 96160\* - Administration and interpretation of patient-focused health risk assessment

- 96161\* - Administration and interpretation of caregiver-focused health risk assessment
- 96127 - Brief emotional or behavioral assessment
- 99188 - Application of topical fluoride

\*As specified by Provider Bulletin 2016-97, procedure codes 96160 and 96161 are only reimbursable for maternal depression screens. Procedure code 96161 should be utilized when the maternal depression screen is administered by a pediatric provider to the mother of their pediatric patient.

No other changes have been made to provider eligibility or the other services eligible under the PCMH program. For more information about the PCMH program, please refer to <http://huskyhealthct.org/providers/pcmh.html>.

### **Accessing the Fee Schedules**

The updated fee schedules can be accessed and downloaded by accessing the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site: [www.ctdssmap.com](http://www.ctdssmap.com). From this Web page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download". Click on the "I accept" button and proceed to click on the appropriate fee schedule. To access the CSV file, press the control key while clicking the CSV link, then select "Open". An Important Message (IM) will be posted and distributed to all providers once the fee schedule has been updated.

For questions about billing or if further assistance is needed to access the fee schedule on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site, please contact the Provider Assistance Center, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 1-800-842-8440.

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