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TO: Birth to Three Providers

RE: Special Services - Birth to Three Years - HIPAA Compliant Update

HIPAA Compliant Update

Effective for dates of service March 1, 2019 and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is revising its Special Services - Birth to Three Years fee schedule, in order to delete contralateral routing system (CROS) and bi-lateral contralateral routing system (BiCROS) hearing aid codes consistent with the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) updates. These revisions are necessary to ensure that the Birth to Three Years fee schedule remains compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). These changes apply to the affected codes reimbursed under the HUSKY Health programs (HUSKY A and B).

New and Discontinued Contralateral Routing Hearing Aid Codes

Effective for dates of service on or after March 1, 2019, specified CROS and BiCROS hearing aid procedure codes have been discontinued from the national billing code set.

End Dated Code	Description
V5180	Hearing aid CROS behind the ear (bte)
V5220	Hearing aid BiCROS binaural (bte)

Effective for dates of service March 1, 2019 and forward, the following replacement CROS and BiCROS behind the ear (bte) hearing aid billing codes will be added to the

Special Services - Birth to Three Years fee schedule:

New Code	Description	Fee
V5181	Hearing aid CROS monaural (bte)	\$800
V5221	Hearing aid CROS binaural (bte/bte)	\$800

DSS will allow hearing aid providers to submit prior authorization (PA) requests for contralateral routing system hearing aids in which the actual acquisition cost exceeds the established fee amounts.

Accessing the Fee Schedule: The updated Special Services - Birth to Three Years fee schedule can be accessed and downloaded by going to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site at www.ctdssmap.com. From this web page, go to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download". Click on the "I accept" button and scroll down to "Special Services – Birth to Three Yrs" fee schedule. Press and hold the CTRL key, then click the CSV link. Continue to hold the CTRL key until a dialogue box appears with the option to open or save the fee schedule.

Posting Instructions: Policy transmittals can be downloaded from the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site at www.ctdssmap.com.

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