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Hospital Monthly Important Message Updated as of **1/10/23**

*all red text is new for 1/10/23

CMAP Addendum B January 2023

The Department of Social Services (DSS) and Gainwell are in the process of implementing the CMAP Addendum B January 2023 updates. An important message will be posted when the January version of CMAP Addendum B has been posted to the Hospital Modernization page on the www.ctdssmap.com Web site.

DSS will be updating the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) Addendum B to incorporate the 2023 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) for dates of service January 1, 2023 and forward to remain compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

The payment rate changes for procedure codes assigned a status indicator G or K were updated and loaded into the system prior to January 1, 2023. Any claims that are submitted for dates of service January 1, 2023 and forward that have a status indicator of G or K will process at the correct payment rate.

For dates of service January 1, 2023 and forward, the outlier dollar threshold has increased from \$6,175.00 to \$8,625.00.

Annual 3M Grouper Updates

Diagnosis Related Grouper (DRG) January Updates - DRG Weight, Average Length of Stay (ALOS) and Outlier Threshold

Please note that the updated DRG calculator has been updated and posted to the www.ctdssmap.com Web Portal.

Provider Bulletins

Note that the following reflects an overview of provider bulletins distributed since the last Hospital Monthly Important Message was posted. Hospitals should use the links presented below to review the full bulletin.

Provider Bulletin [2022-93](#) - 1. January 2023 HIPAA Compliant Changes - Laboratory Fee Schedule

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2023, and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) will incorporate the January 2023 Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions, and description changes) to the Laboratory Fee Schedule. DSS is making these changes to ensure that the Laboratory Fee Schedule remains compliant with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Please refer to the provider bulletin for additional information.

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Provider Bulletin [2022-95](#) - Out-of-State and Border Hospital Reimbursement - Effective January 1, 2023

The Department of Social Services (DSS) is notifying border and out-of-state (OOS) hospitals that the rates and parameters for reimbursement of inpatient and outpatient hospital services, provided to Connecticut Medicaid members, have been updated effective for dates of discharges on or after January 1, 2023.

Please refer to the provider bulletin for additional information.

Provider Bulletin [2022-96](#) - Annual Update to the Inpatient Hospital Adjustment Factors and Update to the APR-DRG Weights

This policy transmittal is to inform providers that, effective for inpatient hospital discharges on or after January 1, 2023: (1) the adjustment factor added to the All Patient Refined - Diagnosis-Related Group (APR-DRG) base payment calculation will be updated for calendar year (CY) 2023 in accordance with the existing approved methodology and (2) the version 40 traditional weights established by 3M will be implemented for APR-DRG.

Please refer to the provider bulletin for additional information.

Provider Bulletin [2022-97](#) - 1. January 2023 Quarterly HIPAA Compliant Updates-Physician-Office and Outpatient and Physician Surgery Fee Schedules

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2023 and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is incorporating the January 2023 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) to the physician office and outpatient, and 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). Providers should continue to refer to the fee schedule for prior authorization and reimbursement information. The changes apply to services reimbursed under the HUSKY Health (A, B, C and D) programs.

Please refer to the provider bulletin for additional information.

Provider Bulletin [2022-105](#) - 1. Updating Physician Administered Drugs on the Behavioral Health Clinic Fee Schedule

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2023, and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) will update the rates for physician administered drugs on the Behavioral Health Clinic fee schedule to be consistent with the January 2023 Medicare Average Sales Price (ASP) Drug Pricing file.

Please refer to the provider bulletin for additional information.

Provider Bulletin [2022-106](#) - Updated Guidelines for Smoking and Tobacco Use Cessation Agents, Counseling and Treatment Products for HUSKY B Members

Effective January 1, 2023, and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is expanding coverage for smoking and tobacco use cessation agents, counseling and treatment products to all members enrolled under the HUSKY B program.

Please refer to the provider bulletin for additional information.

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TPL Audit Report - December 2022

The Third-Party Liability (TPL) Audit reports were sent to the following hospitals on **January 1, 2023**.

- Bridgeport Hospital, Inc (2)
- The Danbury Hospital
- Lawrence and memorial Hospital
- SVMC Holdings, Inc

As a reminder, failure to respond to an audit will result in a recoupment of claims. Any claims recouped can be identified by as having an Internal Control Number (ICN) starting with region code 52 and the Explanation of Benefit (EOB) code 8282 - CLAIM HAS BEEN RECOUPED DUE TO TPL AUDIT FAILURE.

Additionally, providers can view/modify the address that letters are mailed to via the Secure Web portal accounts. For additional information on maintaining address data, providers should refer to Chapter 10 of the Provider Manual, available under Information > Publications on the www.ctdssmap.com Web site.

Re-enrollment Reminder for Hospitals

Hospital providers are reminded to take note of their re-enrollment due date with CMAP. Failure to complete and submit their re-enrollment application in enough time to allow for review by DSS by **the re-enrollment due date** will cause the hospital to be dis-enrolled on the re-enrollment due date.

Dis-enrollment will impact claims processing and the hospitals' ability to verify eligibility until the re-enrollment has been completed.

The following hospitals have re-enrollment due dates coming up in the near future:

- Connecticut Children's Medical Center - Inpatient - 3/2/23
- Hospital for Special Care - Inpatient - 2/8/2023
- Hospital for Special Care - Outpatient - 2/10/23
- The Charlotte Hungerford Hospital - Outpatient - 2/27/2023
- Stamford Hospital - Inpatient - 1/26/2023
- Stamford Hospital - Inpatient - 2/6/2023

Reminders/Upcoming Changes

More COVID Vaccine Updates

Please note that DSS had made updates for additional COVID vaccinations as follows:

- CPT codes 91313, 91312, 0124A and 0134A were added effective 8/31/22
- CPT codes 91314, 91315, 0154A and 0144A were added effective 10/12/22

These codes will be viewable on the updated CMAP Addendum B. Providers will need to resubmit any claims previously denied with those codes.

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Monkeypox Testing/Vaccine Update

Providers should refer to PB [2022-70](#) for information on CPT code 87593 for laboratory testing. Providers should refer to the revised CMAP Addendum B for any vaccine updates once that is posted.

ctxihospipay Email Box

As a reminder, hospitals should direct their inquiries to the Provider Assistance Center at 1-800-842-8440. If hospitals are experiencing extended call wait times, hospitals may email the provider assistance call center with their question at ctdssmap-provideremail@gainwelltechnologies.com. Please be sure to include your name and phone number with your inquiry.

The ctxihospipay@gainwelltechnologies.com email box should only be used to submit APC and DRG related questions. **All other inquiries will be re-directed to the Provider Assistance Center at 1-800-842-8440.**

Holiday Closures

Please be advised that both the DSS' and Gainwell Technologies' offices will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2023 in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday; DSS and Gainwell Technologies will re-open Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

The DSS office will be closed on Monday, February 13, 2023 in observance of Lincoln's Birthday Holiday; DSS will re-open Tuesday, February 14, 2023.