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TO: Physicians, Physician Assistants, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses and Certified Nurse Midwives

RE: Revision to the HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy

Effective for dates of service December 1, 2017 and forward, services eligible under the HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy will be reimbursed at 95% of the calculated 2014 Medicare physician fee schedule. This schedule includes facility and non-facility rates for specified primary care services and vaccine administration provided under the Vaccines for Children program.

As part of Governor Malloy's Executive Resource Allocation Plan, the payment was decreased to 90% of the calculated 2014 Medicare fee on August 11, 2017. In accordance with the State of Connecticut's biennial budget approved by the General Assembly in Public Act 17-2 of the June 2017 Special Session, the payment will be increased to 95% of the calculated 2014 Medicare fee, effective December 1, 2017.

No changes will be made to the HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments eligibility, attestation, attestation validation, claims submission or claims processing requirements. Providers should continue to refer to provider bulletin PB 14-75 - HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy and provider bulletin PB 15-44 - Continuation of the HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy for more information about the eligible codes and the attestation criteria.

Information about the HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy can also be found in the "Important Message" (IM) titled "HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy". Provider bulletins and IMs are located on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) Web site at www.ctdssmap.com.

Accessing the Attestation:

Physicians and non-physician/mid-level practitioners (physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, and certified nursemidwives) who have not yet attested eligibility for the first time under the HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy can do so by accessing this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HUSKYHealthpcattest. For more information, please refer to provider bulletin PB 14-75 and the IM.

Accessing the Fee Table:

To access the HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy Fee Table from the www.ctdssmap.com Web site, go to "Provider" and then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download". Click "I Accept" at the end of the Connecticut Provider Fee Schedule End User License Agreements and then click on "Fee Schedule Instructions" in the red text at the top of the page. Scroll down to "Table 4-HUSKY Health Primary Care Increased Payments Policy Fee Table".

For questions about billing or if further assistance is needed to access the fee schedule on the CMAP 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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