## interChange Provider Important Message

## Attention: Primary Care Providers (Updated 06/17/2019)

The Department of Social Services (DSS) inadvertently end-dated procedure codes D0145 and D1206 without notification to providers. The procedure codes have since been re-instated for dates of service through June 30, 2019.

Effective immediately, billing guidance for non-dental licensed health professionals (physician, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses) providing services under the Access for Baby Care to Dental Examinations and Fluoride Program (ABC Program) is as follows:

The following Current Dental Terminology (CDT) codes (see chart below) listed on the physician office and outpatient fee schedule will be end-dated June 30, 2019.

Procedure	Description	Rates
Code		
D0145	Oral evaluation pt < 3yrs	\$25.00
D1206	Topical fluoride varnish	\$20.00

The effective date for billing Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code 99188 for applying topical fluoride varnish and/or performing an oral health assessment is now July 1, 2019.

Effective for dates of service July 1, 2019 and forward, modifier "DA-Oral health assessment by a licensed health professional other than a dentist" must be billed with select Evaluation & Management (E/M) procedure codes when billing for the ABC Program oral health assessment.

Please refer to Provider Bulletin, <u>PB 19-38</u>, "Update for Billing Coding for the Access for Baby Care to Dental Examination and Fluoride Program (ABC Program)" for guidance and billing instructions.

Any claims billing the CDT codes for performing an oral health assessment and/or applying fluoride varnish that were denied for dates of service on and after April 1, 2019 should be re-submitted for reprocessing and payment.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

