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TO: Home Health Agencies

RE: Addition of New Medication Administration Prompt Code

Effective for dates of service October 1, 2015 and forward, the Department of Social Services will add a new code to the Medicaid Home Health fee schedule:

HCPCS Code	Code Description	Rate Per Visit
H0033	Oral medication administration, direct observation	\$22.00

This code is required for payment of medication prompting by a home health aide. Code H0033 is to be utilized only for Medicaid members who are currently receiving daily (QD) or more frequent medication administration. Before a member can be transitioned from daily medication administration to the medication administration prompt service, an administrative service organization (Community Health Network of Connecticut or Value Options) would determine medical necessity on a case by case basis. All services require prior authorization (PA). Code H0033 will also be allowed under the 1915(c) waivers, including the Connecticut Home Care program as well as the Money Follows the Person (MFP) program.

Code H0033 may not be billed together with code T1004 (*Services of a qualified nursing aide, up to 15 minutes*) during the same visit. However, if it is medically necessary for the member to take medication at a time that does not coincide with a visit billed as T1004, the medication prompting code (H0033) may

be authorized and billed for the same day that T1004 is authorized.

When a medication administration prompt visit by a home health aide is unsuccessful, (e.g. the member refuses to take his or her medication), a Registered Nurse (RN) or Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) may be required to visit the residence of the member, in order to administer medication. Therefore, in substitute for code H0033, the Department will, with appropriate documentation and authorization, allow reimbursement for the following HCPCS codes:

HCPCS Code	Code Description
T1502	Administration of oral, intramuscular and/or subcutaneous medication by health care agency/professional, per visit.
T1503	Administration of medication, other than oral, intramuscular and/or subcutaneous medication by health care agency/professional, per visit.
S9123	Nursing care, in the home; by registered nurse, per hour (use for general nursing, care only, not to be used when CPT codes 99500-99602 can be used).
S9124	Nursing care in home by licensed practical nurse, per hour.

Please refer to policy transmittal PB 2009-34 for more information pertaining to the clinical guidelines for the codes mentioned.

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