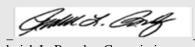
## **Connecticut Medical Assistance Program**

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

RE: 1. 2019 HIPAA Compliant Updates-Physician-Office and Outpatient, Radiology and Surgical Fee Schedules

2. Updating the Reimbursement Rates for Physician Administered Drugs

### **2019 HIPAA Compliant Updates**

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2019 and forward, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is incorporating the 2019 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) changes (additions, deletions and description changes) to the physician office and outpatient, physician radiology 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).

# <u>Updating the Reimbursement Rates for Physician Administered Drugs</u>

Effective for dates of service January 1, 2019 and forward, the rates for physicianadministered drugs, immune globulins, vaccines and toxoids will be revised to equal 100% of the January 2019 Medicare Average Sales Price (ASP) Drug Pricing file. Providers should review PB 18-10 Updates to *Methodology* the Reimbursement Physician-Administered Drugs, *Immune* Globulins, Vaccines and Toxoids for more information.

#### **Accessing the Fee Schedules**

The updated fee schedules can be accessed and downloaded from the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site: <a href="https://www.ctdssmap.com">www.ctdssmap.com</a>. From this Web page, go

to "Provider", then to "Provider Fee Schedule Download". Click on the "I accept" button and proceed to click on the appropriate fee schedule. To access the CSV file, press the control key while clicking the CSV link, then select "Open". An Important Message (IM) will be posted and distributed to all providers once the fee schedules have been updated.

For questions about billing or if further assistance is needed to access the fee schedules on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program 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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