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## ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

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This training packet has been developed for presentation at the Spring 2006 Louisiana Medicaid Provider Training workshops. Each year these workshops are held to inform providers of recent changes that affect Louisiana Medicaid billing and reimbursement. In addition, established policies and procedures that prompt significant provider inquiry or billing difficulty may be clarified by workshop presenters. The emphasis of the workshops is on policy and procedures that affect Medicaid billing.

This packet does not present general Medicaid policy such as recipient eligibility and ID cards, and third party liability. Such information is presented only in the Basic Medicaid Information Training packet. This packet may be obtained by attending the Basic Medicaid Information workshop; by requesting a copy from Unisys Provider Relations; or by downloading it from the Louisiana MEDICAID website, <u>www.lamedicaid.com</u>.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION! SPECIAL MEDICAID BENEFITS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

#### THE FOLLOWING SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH <u>DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.</u> <u>TO REQUEST THEM CALL THE OFFICE FOR CITIZENS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES</u> <u>(OCDD)/DISTRICT/AUTHORITY IN YOUR AREA.</u> <u>(See listing of numbers on attachment)</u>

#### **MR/DD MEDICAID WAIVER SERVICES**

To sign up for "waiver programs" that offer Medicaid and additional services to eligible persons (including those whose income may be too high for other Medicaid), ask to be added to the Mentally Retarded/ Developmentally Disabled (MR/DD) Request for Services Registry (RFSR). The **New Opportunities Waiver (NOW)** and the **Children's Choice Waiver** both provide services in the home, instead of in an institution, to persons who have mental retardation and/or other developmental disabilities. Both waivers cover Family Support, Center-Based Respite, Environmental Accessibility Modifications, and Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies. In addition, **NOW** covers services to help individuals live alone in the community or to assist with employment, and professional and nursing services beyond those that Medicaid usually covers. The **Children's Choice Waiver** also includes Family Training. Children remain eligible for the Children's Choice Waiver until their nineteenth birthday, at which time they will be transferred to an appropriate Mentally Retarded/Developmentally Disabled (MR/DD) Waiver.

(If you are accessing services for someone 0-3 please contact EarlySteps at 1-866-327-5978.)

#### SUPPORT COORDINATION

A support coordinator works with you to develop a comprehensive list of all needed services (such as medical care, therapies, personal care services, equipment, social services, and educational services) then assists you in obtaining them. If you are a Medicaid recipient and under the age of 21 and it is medically necessary, you may be eligible to receive support coordination services immediately.

#### THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL MEDICAID ELIGIBLE CHILDREN AND YOUTH UNDER THE AGE OF 21 WHO HAVE A MEDICAL NEED. TO ACCESS THESE SERVICES CALL KIDMED (TOLL FREE) at 1-877-455-9955 (or TTY 1-877-544-9544)

#### MENTAL HEALTH REHABILITATION SERVICES

Children and youth with mental illness may receive Mental Health Rehabilitation Services. These services include clinical and medication management; individual and parent/family intervention; supportive and group counseling; individual and group psychosocial skills training; behavior intervention plan development and service integration. All mental health rehabilitation services must be approved by mental health prior authorization unit.

#### **PSYCHOLOGICAL AND BEHAVIORAL SERVICES**

Children and youth who require psychological and/or behavioral services may receive these services from a licensed psychologist. These services include necessary assessments and evaluations, individual therapy, and family therapy.

#### **EPSDT/KIDMED EXAMS AND CHECKUPS**

Medicaid recipients under the age of 21 are eligible for checkups ("EPSDT screens"). These checkups include a health history; physical exam; immunizations; laboratory tests, including lead blood level assessment; vision and hearing checks; and dental services. They are available both on a regular basis, and whenever additional health treatment or services are needed. EPSDT screens may help to find problems, which need other health treatment or additional services. Children under 21 are entitled to receive all medically necessary health care, diagnostic services, and treatment and other measures covered by Medicaid to correct or improve physical or mental conditions. This includes a wide range of services not covered by Medicaid for recipients over the age of 21.

#### PERSONAL CARE SERVICES

Personal Care Services (PCS) are provided by attendants when physical limitations due to illness or injury require assistance with eating, bathing, dressing, and personal hygiene. PCS services do not include medical tasks such as medication administration, tracheostomy care, feeding tubes or catheters. The Medicaid Home Health program or *Extended Home Health* program covers those medical services. PCS services must be ordered by a physician. The PCS service provider must request approval for the service from Medicaid.

#### EXTENDED SKILLED NURSING SERVICES

Children and youth may be eligible to receive Skilled Nursing Services in the home. These services are provided by a Home Health Agency. A physician must order this service. Once ordered by a physician, the home health agency must request approval for the service from Medicaid.

## PHYSICAL THERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, SPEECH THERAPY, AUDIOLOGY SERVICES, and PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION AND TREATMENT

If a child or youth wants rehabilitation services such as Physical, Occupational, or Speech Therapy, Audiology Services, or Psychological Evaluation and Treatment; these services can be provided at school, in an early intervention center, in an outpatient facility, in a rehabilitation center, at home, or in a combination of settings, depending on the child's needs. For Medicaid to cover these services at school (ages 3 to 21), or early intervention centers and *EarlySteps* (ages 0 to 3), they must be part of the IEP or IFSP. For Medicaid to cover the services through an outpatient facility, rehabilitation center, or home health, they must be ordered by a physician and be prior-authorized by Medicaid.

# FOR INFORMATION ON RECEIVING THESE THERAPIES CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL OR EARLY INTERVENTION CENTER. *EARLYSTEPS* CAN BE CONTACTED (toll free) AT 1-866-327-5978. CALL KIDMED REFERRAL ASSISTANCE AT 1-877-455-9955 TO LOCATE OTHER THERAPY PROVIDERS.

#### MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

Children and youth can obtain any medically necessary medical supplies, equipment and appliances needed to correct, or improve physical or mental conditions. Medical Equipment and Supplies must be ordered by a physician. Once ordered by a physician, the supplier of the equipment or supplies must request approval for them from Medicaid.

#### TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to and from medical appointments, if needed, is provided by Medicaid. These medical appointments do not have to be with Medicaid providers for the transportation to be covered. Arrangements for non-emergency transportation must be made at least 48 hours in advance.

Children under age 21 are entitled to receive all medically necessary health care, diagnostic services, treatment, and other measures that Medicaid can cover. This includes many services that are not covered for adults.

IF YOU NEED A SERVICE THAT IS NOT LISTED ABOVE CALL THE REFERRAL ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR AT KIDMED (TOLL FREE) 1-877-455- 9955 (OR TTY 1-877-544-9544). IF THEY CANNOT REFER YOU TO A PROVIDER OF THE SERVICE YOU NEED, CALL 1-888-758-2220 FOR ASSISTANCE.

#### **OTHER MEDICAID COVERED SERVICES**

° Ambulatory Care Services, Rural Health Clinics, and Federally Qualified Health Centers

- <sup>o</sup> Ambulatory Surgery Services
- ° Certified Family and Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Services
- <sup>°</sup> Chiropractic Services
- ° Developmental and Behavioral Clinic Services
- <sup>o</sup> Diagnostic Services-laboratory and X-ray
- ° Early Intervention Services
- ° Emergency Ambulance Services
- ° Family Planning Services
- ° Hospital Services-inpatient and outpatient
- ° Nursing Facility Services
- <sup>o</sup> Nurse Midwifery Services
- <sup>o</sup> Podiatry Services
- ° Prenatal Care Services
- <sup>o</sup> Prescription and Pharmacy Services
- ° Health Services
- ° Sexually Transmitted Disease Screening

MEDICAID RECIPIENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 21 ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE THE ABOVE SERVICES AND ANY OTHER NECESSARY HEALTH CARE, DIAGNOSTIC SERVICE, TREATMENT AND OTHER MEASURES COVERED BY MEDICAID TO CORRECT OR IMPROVE A PHYSICAL OR MENTAL CONDITION. This may include services not specifically listed above. These services must be ordered by a physician and sent to Medicaid by the provider of the service for approval.

## If you need a service that is not listed above call KIDMED (TOLL FREE) at 1-877-455-9955 (or TTY 1-877-544-9544).

If you do not RECEIVE the help YOU need ask for the referral assistance coordinator.

## OFFICE FOR CITIZENS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (OCDD)/DISTRICT/AUTHORITY

#### METROPOLITAN HUMAN SERVICES

DISTRICT 1010 Common Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor New Orleans, LA 70112 Phone: (504) 599-0245 FAX: (504) 568-4660

#### CAPITAL AREA HUMAN SERVICES

<u>DISTRICT</u> 4615 Government St. - Bin # 16 - 2nd Floor Baton Rouge, LA 70806 **Phone: (225) 925-1910** FAX: (225) 925-1966 **Toll Free: 1-800-768-8824** 

#### **REGION III**

690 E. First Street Thibodaux, LA 70301 Phone: (985) 449-5167 FAX: (985) 449-5180 Toll Free: 1-800-861-0241

#### **REGION IV**

214 Jefferson Street - Suite 301 Lafayette, LA 70501 Phone: (337) 262-5610 FAX: (337) 262-5233 Toll Free: 1-800-648-1484

#### **REGION V**

3501 Fifth Avenue, Suite C2 Lake Charles, LA 70607 Phone: (337) 475-8045 FAX: (337) 475-8055 Toll Free: 1-800-631-8810

#### **REGION VI**

429 Murray Street - Suite B Alexandria, LA 71301 Phone: (318) 484-2347 FAX: (318) 484-2458 Toll Free: 1-800-640-7494

#### <u>REGION VII</u>

3018 Old Minden Road Suite 1211 Bossier City, LA 71112 **Phone: (318) 741-7455** FAX: (318) 741-7445 **Toll Free: 1-800-862-1409** 

#### **REGION VIII**

122 St. John St. - Room 343 Monroe, LA 71201 Phone: (318) 362-3396 FAX: (318) 362-5305 Toll Free: 1-800-637-3113

#### FLORIDA PARISHES HUMAN SERVICES AUTHORITY

21454 Koop Drive - Suite 2H Mandeville, LA 70471 Phone: (985) 871-8300 FAX: (985) 871-8303 Toll Free: 1-800-866-0806

## JEFFERSON PARISH HUMAN SERVICES

<u>AUTHORITY</u> 3101 W. Napoleon Ave – S140 Metairie, LA 70001 Phone: (504) 838-5357 FAX: (504) 838-5400

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## **STANDARDS FOR PARTICIPATION**

Provider participation in Medicaid of Louisiana is entirely voluntary. State regulations and policy define certain standards for providers who choose to participate. These standards are listed as follows:

- Provider agreement and enrollment with the Bureau of Health Services Financing (BHSF) of the Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH);
- Agreement to charge no more for services to eligible recipients than is charged on the average for similar services to others;
- Agreement to accept as payment in full the amounts established by the BHSF and refusal to seek additional payment from the recipient for any unpaid portion of a bill, except in cases of Spend-Down Medically Needy recipients; a recipient may be billed for services which have been determined as non-covered or exceeding a limitation set by the Medicaid Program. Patients are also responsible for all services rendered after eligibility has ended.
- Agreement to maintain medical records (as are necessary) and any information regarding payments claimed by the provider for furnishing services;
- NOTE: Records must be retained for a period of five (5) years and be furnished, as requested, to the BHSF, its authorized representative, representatives of the DHH, or the state Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.
- Agreement that all services to and materials for recipients of public assistance be in compliance with Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1978, and, where applicable, Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

#### **Picking and Choosing Services**

On March 20, 1991, Medicaid of Louisiana adopted the following rule:

#### Practitioners who participate as providers of medical services shall bill Medicaid for all covered services performed on behalf of an eligible individual who has been accepted by the provider as a Medicaid patient.

This rule prohibits Medicaid providers from "picking and choosing" the services for which they agree to accept a client's Medicaid payment as payment in full for services rendered. Providers must bill Medicaid for **all** Medicaid covered services that they provide to their clients.

Providers continue to have the option of picking and choosing from which patients they will accept Medicaid. Providers are not required to accept every Medicaid patient requiring treatment.

#### **Statutorily Mandated Revisions to All Provider Agreements**

The 1997 Regular Session of the Legislature passed and the Governor signed into law the Medical Assistance Program Integrity Law (MAPIL) cited as LSA-RS 46:437.1-46:440.3. This legislation has a significant impact on all Medicaid providers. All providers should take the time to become familiar with the provisions of this law.

MAPIL contains a number of provisions related to provider agreements. Those provisions which deal specifically with provider agreements and the enrollment process are contained in LSA-RS 46:437.11-46:437.14. The provider agreement provisions of MAPIL statutorily establishes that the provider agreement is a contract between the Department and the provider and that the provider voluntarily entered into that contract. Among the terms and conditions imposed on the provider by this law are the following:

- comply with all federal and state laws and regulations;
- provide goods, services and supplies which are medically necessary in the scope and quality fitting the appropriate standard of care;
- have all necessary and required licenses or certificates;
- maintain and retain all records for a period of five (5) years;
- allow for inspection of all records by governmental authorities;
- safeguard against disclosure of information in patient medical records;
- bill other insurers and third parties prior to billing Medicaid;
- report and refund any and all overpayments;
- accept payment in full for Medicaid recipients providing allowances for copayments authorized by Medicaid;
- agree to be subject to claims review;
- the buyer and seller of a provider are liable for any administrative sanctions or civil judgments;
- notification prior to any change in ownership;
- inspection of facilities; and,
- posting of bond or letter of credit when required.

MAPIL's provider agreement provisions contain additional terms and conditions. The above is merely a brief outline of some of the terms and conditions and is not all inclusive. The provider agreement provisions of MAPIL also provide the Secretary with the authority to deny enrollment or revoke enrollment under specific conditions.

The effective date of these provisions was August 15, 1997. All providers who were enrolled at that time or who enroll on or after that date are subject to these provisions. All provider agreements which were in effect before August 15, 1997 or became effective on or after August 15, 1997 are subject to the provisions of MAPIL and all provider agreements are deemed to be amended effective August 15, 1997 to contain the terms and conditions established in MAPIL.

Any provider who does not wish to be subjected to the terms, conditions and requirements of MAPIL must notify Provider Enrollment immediately that the provider is withdrawing from the Medicaid program. If no such written notice is received, the provider may continue as an enrolled provider subject to the provisions of MAPIL.

#### **Surveillance Utilization Review**

The Department of Health and Hospitals' Office of Program Integrity, in partnership with Unisys, perform the Surveillance Utilization Review function of the Louisiana Medicaid program. This function is intended to combat fraud and abuse within Louisiana Medicaid and is accomplished by a combination of computer runs, along with medical staff that review providers on a post payment basis. Providers are profiled according to billing activity and are selected for review using computer-generated reports. The Program Integrity Unit of DHH also reviews telephone and written complaints sent from various sources throughout the state, including the fraud hotline.

Program Integrity and SURS would also like to remind all providers that they are bound by the conditions of their provider agreement which includes but is not limited to those things set out in Medical Assistance Program Integrity Law (MAPIL) R.S. 46:437.1 through 440.3, The Surveillance and Utilization Review Systems Regulation (SURS Rule) Louisiana Register Vol. 29, No. 4, April 20, 2003, and all other applicable federal and state laws and regulations, as well as Departmental and Medicaid policies. Failure to adhere to these could result in administrative, civil and/or criminal actions.

Providers should anticipate an audit during their association with the Louisiana Medicaid program. When audited, providers are to cooperate with the representatives of DHH, which includes Unisys, in accordance with their participation agreement signed upon enrollment. Failure to cooperate could result in administrative sanctions. The sanctions include, but are not limited to:

- Withholding of Medicaid payments
- Referral to the Attorney General's Office for investigation
- Termination of Provider Agreement

Program Integrity and the Unisys Surveillance Utilization Review area remind providers **that a service undocumented is considered a service not rendered**. Providers should ensure their documentation is accurate and complete. All undocumented services are subject to recoupment. Other services subject to recoupment are:

- Upcoding level of care
- Maximizing payments for services rendered
- Billing components of lab tests, rather than the appropriate lab panel
- Billing for medically unnecessary services
- Billing for services not rendered
- Consultations performed by the patient's primary care, treating, or attending physicians

#### Fraud and Abuse Hotline

The state has a hotline for reporting possible fraud and abuse in the Medicaid Program. Providers are encouraged to give this phone number/web address to any individual or provider who wants to report possible cases of fraud or abuse.

Anyone can report concerns at (800) 488-2917 or by using the web address at http://www.dhh.state.la.us/offices/fraudform.asp?id=92

## **EPSDT HEALTH SERVICES**

**EPSDT Health Services** for children with disabilities include health-related special education services and may only be provided by local school boards for children ages three (3) to 21, and by Early Intervention Centers or the EarlySteps Program for children from birth to age three (3). All EPSDT Health Services must be included on the child's individualized education program (IEP) or individualized family services plan (IFSP).

#### **Program Requirements**

The Department of Health and Hospitals has been in negotiations for some time to settle a lawsuit. Many of the issues being addressed involve informing Medicaid recipients of all options available to them through our program. The Department has complied with this stipulation by conducting trainings statewide covering both eligibility and covered services. However, to remain compliant with the settlement, the Department of Health and Hospitals is now requiring that all EPSDT Health Services Providers enrolled in Medicaid give the following statement in writing to Medicaid-eligible recipients at the time their IEP or IFSP is developed.

If your child is Medicaid eligible, and is eligible to receive audiologic services, occupational therapy evaluations and treatment services, physical therapy evaluations and therapy (individual and group), psychological evaluations and therapy (individual and group), and speech and language evaluations and therapy (individual and group), you may choose to obtain them either through your school, an early intervention center or the EarlySteps Program or other Medicaid enrolled provider of those services.

Children who do not qualify for these services for educational purposes may still be eligible for them through Medicaid. Services outside of or in addition to those provided at school or in an early intervention center/EarlySteps must be ordered by a physician. Once the services are ordered by a physician, the service provider must request approval from Medicaid. To locate a provider other than the school or early intervention center, please contact your case manager, physician, or call the Specialty Care Resource Line toll free at 1-877-455-9955 or the EarlySteps Program at 1-866-327-5978.

Again, this information must be supplied to the recipient and/or caregiver at the time the IEP or IFSP is developed.

#### School Boards (Ages 3 to 21)

School boards may provide the following services for children ages three (3) to twenty-one (21):

Audiology services Occupational therapy evaluations and treatment services Physical therapy evaluations and treatment services Psychological evaluations and therapy (individual and group) Speech and language evaluations and therapy (individual and group)

**NOTE**: A written referral or prescription is no longer required from a licensed physician to provide speech pathology services. However, speech pathology services must still be included in a student's IEP in order to be reimbursed by Medicaid.

#### NOTE:

If a Medicaid eligible child under the age of 21 years does not meet the School Boards eligibility requirements for the above Medicaid covered services, medically necessary Medicaid covered services are available from Medicaid. Medically necessary services must be prescribed by a physician and prior authorization is required.

#### Early Intervention Centers (Age birth to 3)

Early Intervention services are provided to infants and toddlers from birth to age three (3). All EIC services for recipients birth to age three (3) can be provided in the home or the recipient's "natural setting". Some of these services are not necessarily covered by Title XIX (Medicaid). These services include:

- Assistive technology
- Audiology services
- Family service coordination
- Health services
- Medical services
- Nursing services
- Nutrition services
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Psychological services
- Social work services
- Special education services
- Special instructions
- Speech/language therapy
- Transportation services
- Vision services

Early Intervention Centers must be licensed by Department of Social Services. Providers interested in becoming licensed as an Early Intervention Center may contact the Bureau of Licensing at (225) 922-0015.

In addition, any provider issued an EIC license by DSS can apply to Medicaid as an EPSDT Early Intervention Center. This includes providers that are currently enrolled in Medicaid under other provider types (i.e. Rehab Clinics). However, when providing these services the provider MUST bill using their Medicaid EIC provider number.

Medicaid reimburses only for direct, one-on-one patient contact services, billed as units of time, in Physical and Occupational Therapy. Group therapy and co-treating are not covered under Physical and Occupational Therapy.

Descriptions of service and professional requirements were published in the EPSDT Health Services Provider Manual, issued October 1, 1997.

#### NOTE:

If a Medicaid eligible child under the age of 3 years does not meet the eligibility requirements for early intervention services through an Early Intervention Center, medically necessary Medicaid covered services are available from Medicaid. Medically necessary services must be prescribed by a physician and prior authorization is required.

#### EarlySteps (Age birth to 3)

EarlySteps is Louisiana's Early Intervention System which provides services to families with infants and toddlers who have special needs. These services can be rendered in the recipient's home or "natural setting".

The EarlySteps Program has implemented the following new qualifications for enrollment in this program:

- The recipient's age must be from birth to age 3.
- The recipient must have a developmental delay of at least 2 SD (standard deviations) below the mean or are functioning at least 33% below their age in months in one of the following developmental areas; or children who have a developmental delay of 1.5 SD below the mean or are functioning at least 25% below their age in months in two or more of the following areas:
  - o cognitive development
  - o physical development (vision, hearing, fine and gross motor)
  - o communication development
  - o social or emotional development
  - o adaptive skills development (also known as self-help or daily living skills)

Medicaid covered services include:

- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech/Language Therapy
- Psychology
- Audiology
- Family Service Coordination

EarlySteps also provides the following services not covered by Medicaid:

- Nursing Services/Health Services (Only to enable an eligible child/family to benefit from the other EarlySteps services)
- Medical Services for diagnostic and evaluation purposes only.
- Special Instruction
- Vision Services
- Assistive Technology devices and services
- Social Work
- Counseling Services/Family Training
- Transportation
- Nutrition
- Sign language and cued language services.

All services are provided through a plan of care called the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Early intervention services are provided through EarlySteps in conformance with Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Act.

The EPSDT Early Intervention Services (EarlySteps) Fee Schedule is available online at <u>www.lamedicaid.com</u>. Please be aware that there are two different schedules that are available. One fee schedule is for dates of service from July 7, 2003 through January 31, 2005, while the other fee schedule is for dates of service from February 1, 2005, and forward. These fee schedules list the reimbursement for all direct services (occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech/language therapy, psychology, and audiology).

## To learn more about EarlySteps, please contact the System Point of Entry (SPOE) in your area or call EarlySteps at 1-866-327-5978. Please refer to the Appendix for SPOE contact information.

#### NOTE:

If a Medicaid eligible child under the age of 3 years does not meet the eligibility requirements for early intervention services under the EarlySteps program, medically necessary Medicaid covered services are available from Medicaid. Medically necessary services must be prescribed by a physician and prior authorization is required.

#### **Program Requirements For Reimbursement**

EPSDT Health Services program requirements for reimbursement are:

- All services must be furnished in the interest of establishing or modifying a child's individualized education program (IEP) or an infant or toddler's individualized family services plan (IFSP) or the services furnished must already be included in the current IEP or IFSP. Non-IEP or non-IFSP services may not be billed to Medicaid under the EPSDT Health Services program.
- If providing early intervention services to infants and toddlers, use one of the model IFSP forms found in Appendix C of the 1997 EPSDT Health Services manual. Medicaid must approve any other IFSP form before they may be used for reimbursement for these services.
- Only local education agencies (school boards) are eligible to enroll for children ages three (3) and above.
- Both public and private early intervention centers may enroll directly with Medicaid as providers of these services for infants and toddlers under age three.
- These services must be coordinated with other age appropriate preventive health services, including KIDMED screenings and immunizations.
  - Contact Louisiana KIDMED at (800) 259-8000 or (225) 928-9683 in Baton Rouge to determine the screening and immunization status of the child.
  - Louisiana KIDMED will follow up with the family to arrange for the screening and immunizations if due.
- These EPSDT services must also be coordinated with the Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and Head Start. Make age-appropriate referrals for these services.
- Employ or contract with professional staff qualified to provide the services that meet state and Medicaid practitioner standards regarding certification, licensure, and supervision. Documentation of staff qualifications must be provided to Medicaid as part of the enrollment and monitoring process. Applicable qualifications are listed in Section 5 of the 1997 EPSDT Health Services manual.
- Agree to bill electronically.
- Medicaid payments from these services must be spent on the provision of health related services to children regardless of their Medicaid status.
  - Expenditures should be prioritized for expanding service delivery through additional employed or contracted staff before allocating funds for equipment and supplies, administrative support activities, capital improvements, or meeting the individual needs of children with disabilities.
  - o Medicaid funds may not be used for strictly educational or non-medical purposes.

## **EPSDT HEALTH SERVICES PROCEDURE CODES**

The following chart lists the codes most commonly billed by EPSDT Health Services providers:

Procedure Code	Description	Fee			
90804	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility; approximately 20 – 30 minutes face to face with the patient	\$22.50			
90806	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00			
90810	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 20-30 minutes face to face with patient	\$22.50			
90812	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical device, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approx 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00			
90846	Family psychotherapy( w/o Patient)	\$22.50			
90847	Family psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy) (with patient present)	\$22.50			
90853	Group psychotherapy (other than of a multiple family group)	\$22.50			
90857	Interactive group psychotherapy	\$22.50			
92506	6 Evaluation of speech, language, voice, communication, auditory processing and/or aural rehabilitation status				
92507	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); individual				
92508	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); group, 2 or more individuals	\$7.50			
92551	Screening test, pure tone, air only	\$3.60			
92552	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air only.	\$22.50			
92553	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air and bone.	\$45.00			
92555	Speech audiometry threshold	\$9.00			
92556	Speech audiometry threshold ; with speech recognition	\$22.50			
92557	Comprehensive audiometry, threshold evaluation and speech recognition	\$54.00			
92563	Tone decay test	\$10.00			
92564	Short increment sensitivity index (SISI)	\$20.00			
92565	Stenger test, pure tone	\$15.00			
92567	Tympanometry (impedance testing)	\$22.50			
92568	Acoustic reflex testing; threshold	\$22.50			
92569	Acoustic reflex decay test; decay	\$36.00			
92571	Filtered speech test	\$25.00			
92572	Staggered spondaic word test	\$75.00			
92575	Sensorineural acuity level test	\$20.00			
92576	Synthetic sentence identification test	\$25.00			
92577	Stenger test, speech	\$13.50			
92582	Conditioning play audiometry	\$45.00			

92583	Select picture audiometry	\$22.50
92584	Electrocochleography	\$200.00
92585	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the central nervous system; comprehensive	\$180.00
92586	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the CNS; limited	\$50.00
92587	Evoked otoacoustic emissions; limited (single stimulus level, either transient or distortion products)	\$25.00
92588	Comprehensive or diagnostic evaluation (comparison of transient and/or distortion product otoacoustic emissions at multiple levels and frequencies)	\$50.00
92590	Hearing aid exam and selection, monaural	\$65.00
92591	Hearing aid exam and selection, binaural	\$65.00
92592	Hearing aid check, monaural	\$22.50
92593	Hearing aid check, binaural	\$45.00
92594	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, monaural	\$22.50
92595	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, binaural	\$45.00
96101	Psychological testing (includes psychodiagnostic assessment of emotionality, intellectual abilities, personality and psychopathology, eg, MMPI, Rorshach, WAIS), per hour of the psychologist's or physician's time, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report	\$76.50
97001	Physical Therapy evaluation	\$54.00
97003	Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$51.00
97032	Application of modality to one or more areas; electrical stimulation (manual), each 15 minutes	\$10.00
97110	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; therapeutic exercises to develop strength and endurance, range of motion and flexibility	\$10.00
97112	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; neuromuscular re-education of movement, balance, coordination, kinesthetic sense, posture and/or proprioception for sitting and/or standing activities	\$10.00
97116	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; gait training (includes stair climbing)	\$20.00
97124	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; massage, including effeurage, petrissage, and/or tapotement (stroking, compression, percussion, etc.)	\$10.00
97530	Therapeutic activities, direct (one-on-one) patient contact by the provider (use of dynamic activities to improve functional performance); each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97750	Physical performance test or measurement (eg, musculoskeletal, functional capacity), with written report, each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97760	Orthotic(s) management and training (including assessment and fitting when not otherwise reported), upper extremity(s), lower extremity(s), lower extremity(s) and/or trunk, each 15 minutes	\$8.00

**NOTE:** CPT codes 96100 and 97504 have been deleted from CPT 2006.

\* As of the date of publication of this manual, the fee has not been loaded onto the procedure file. Providers will be notified when the fee has been loaded. Contact Provider Relations at (800)473-2783 if any questions.

Reimbursement fees are current as of March 9, 2006 and are subject to change.

### **CLAIMS FILING**

EPSDT services are billed electronically on the 837P format or hardcopy on the CMS-1500 (formerly known as HCFA-1500) claim form.

Items to be completed are either required or situational. Required information must be entered in order for the claim to process. Claims submitted with missing or invalid information in these fields will be returned unprocessed to the provider with a rejection letter listing the reason(s) the claims are being returned. These claims cannot be processed until corrected and resubmitted by the provider. Situational information may be required (but only in certain circumstances as detailed in the instructions below). Claims should be submitted to:

#### Unisys P.O. Box 91020 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

- 1. REQUIRED Enter an "X" in the box marked Medicaid (Medicaid #).
- \*1A. REQUIRED Enter the recipient's 13 digit Medicaid ID number exactly as it appears in the recipient's current Medicaid information using the plastic Medicaid swipe card (MEVS) or through REVS or e-MEVS.

NOTE: The recipients' 13-digit Medicaid ID number must be used to bill claims. The CCN number from the plastic ID card is NOT acceptable.

NOTE: If the 13-digit Medicaid ID number does not match the recipient's name in block 2, the claim will be denied. If this item is blank, the claim will be returned.

- \*2. REQUIRED Print the name of the recipient: last name, first name, middle initial. Spell the name exactly as verified through e-MEVS, MEVS or REVS.
- 3. SITUATIONAL Enter the recipient's date of birth as reflected in the current Medicaid information available through e-MEVS, MEVS or REVS, using six (6) digits (MM DD YY). If there is only one digit in this field, precede that digit with a zero. Enter an "x" in the appropriate box to show the sex of the recipient.
- 4. SITUATIONAL Complete correctly if appropriate or leave blank.
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9A	SITUATIONAL	If recipient has no other coverage, leave blank. If there is other coverage, put the state assigned 6-digit TPL carrier code in this block—make sure the EOB is attached to the claim.
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*24	4A. REQUIRED	Enter the date of service for each procedure. Either six-digit (MMDDYY) or eight-digit (MMDDCCYY) format is acceptable.
*24	4B. REQUIRED	Enter the appropriate code from the approved Medicaid Place Of Service code list. (Please refer to the Appendix for this list.)
24	C. SITUATIONAL	Leave blank.
*24	4D. REQUIRED	Enter the procedure code(s) for services rendered.
*24	4E. REQUIRED	Reference the diagnosis entered in item 21 and indicate the most appropriate diagnosis for each procedure by entering either a "1", "2", etc. More than one diagnosis may be related to a procedure. Do not enter the ICD-9-CM diagnosis code.
*24	4F. REQUIRED	Enter usual and customary charges for the service rendered.
*24	4G. REQUIRED	Enter the number of units billed for the procedure code entered on the same line in 24D.
24	H. SITUATIONAL	Leave blank or enter a "Y" if services were performed as a result of an EPSDT referral.

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24K.	SITUATIONAL	Leave blank.
25.	SITUATIONAL	Leave blank.
26.	SITUATIONAL	Enter the provider specific information assigned to identify the patient. This number will appear on the Remittance Advice (RA). It may consist of letters and/or numbers and may be a maximum of 16 characters.
27.	SITUATIONAL	Leave blank. Medicaid does not make payments to the recipient. Claim filing acknowledges acceptance of Medicaid assignment.
*28.	REQUIRED	Total of all charges listed on the claim.
29.	SITUATIONAL	If block 9A is completed, indicate the amount paid; otherwise, leave blank.
30.	SITUATIONAL	If payment has been made by a third party insurer, enter the amount due after third party payment has been subtracted from billed charges.
*31.	REQUIRED	The claim form MUST be signed. The practitioner is not required to sign the claim form. However, the practitioner's authorized representative must sign the form. Signature stamps or computer generated signatures are acceptable, but must be initialed by the practitioner or authorized representative. If this item is left blank, or if the stamped or computer-generated signature does not have original initials, the claim will be returned unprocessed.
	Date	Enter the date of the signature.
32.	SITUATIONAL	Complete as appropriate or leave blank.
*33.	REQUIRED	Enter the provider name, address including zip code and seven (7) digit Medicaid provider identification number. The Medicaid billing provider number must be entered in the space next to Group (Grp)#."

Note: If no Medicaid provider number is entered, the claim will be returned to the provider for correction and re-submission.

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## **UNISYS 213 ADJUSTMENT/VOID FORM**

The Unisys 213 adjustment/void is used to adjust or void incorrect payments on the CMS-1500. These forms may be obtained from Unisys by calling Provider Relations at (800) 473-2783. Electronic submitters may electronically submit adjustment/void claims.

#### FORM COMPLETION

Only one (1) control number can be adjusted or voided on each 213 form.

Only an **approved claim** can be adjusted or voided.

Blocks 26 and 27 must contain the claim's most recently approved control number and R.A. date. For example:

- 1. A claim is approved on the R.A. dated 04/01/2005, ICN 5091567890123.
- 2. The claim is adjusted on the R.A. dated 04/15/2005, ICN 5105890123456.
- 3. If the claim requires further adjustment or needs to be voided, the most recently approved control number (5105890123456) and R.A. date (04/15/2005) must be used.

Provider numbers and recipient Medicaid ID numbers cannot be adjusted. They must be voided, then resubmitted.

Adjustments: To file an adjustment, the provider should complete the adjustment as it appears on the original claim form, changing the item that was in error to show the way the claim should have been billed. The approved adjustment will replace the approved original and will be listed under the "adjustment" column on the R.A. The original payment will be taken back on the same R.A. in the "previously paid" column.

**Voids:** To file a void, the provider must enter all the information from the original claim **exactly as it appeared on the original claim**. When the void claim is approved, it will be listed under the "void" column of the R.A. and a corrected claim may be submitted (if applicable).

Only one (1) claim line can be adjusted or voided on each adjustment/void form.

213 Adjustment/void forms should be mailed to the following address for processing:

#### Unisys P.O. Box 91020 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

An example of a correctly completed 213 form is shown on the following pages. Only the blocks that are completed are required for claims processing.

### 213 ADJUSTMENT/VOID FORM INSTRUCTIONS

- \*1. ADJ/VOID—Check the appropriate block.
- \*2. Patient's Name
  - Adjust—Print the name exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting this information.
  - b. Void—Print the name exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- 3. Patient's Date of Birth
  - a. Adjust—Print the date exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting this information.
  - b. Void—Print the name exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- \*4. Medicaid ID Number—Enter the 13 digit recipient ID number.
- 5. Patient's Address and Telephone Number
  - a. Adjust—Print the address exactly as it appears on the original claim.
  - b. Void—Print the address exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- 6. Patient's Sex
  - a. Adjust—Print this information exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting this information.
  - b. Void—Print this information exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- 7. Insured's Name— Leave blank.
- 8. Patient's Relationship to Insured—Leave blank.
- 9. Insured's Group No.—Complete if appropriate or blank.
- 10. Other Health Insurance Coverage—Complete with 6-digit TPL carrier code if appropriate or leave blank.
- 11. Was Condition Related to—Leave blank.
- 12. Insured's Address—Leave blank.
- 13. Date of—Leave blank.
- 14. Date First Consulted You for This Condition—Leave blank.
- 15. Has Patient Ever had Same or Similar Symptoms—Leave blank.
- 16. Date Patient Able to Return to Work—Leave blank.

- 17. Dates of Total Disability-Dates of Partial Disability—Leave blank.
- 18. Name of Referring Physician or Other Source—Leave this space blank.
- 18A. Referring ID Number Enter the CommunityCARE authorization number if applicable or leave blank.
- 19. For Services Related to Hospitalization Give Hospitalization Dates—Leave blank.
- 20. Name and Address of Facility Where Services Rendered (if other than home or office)—Leave blank.
- 21. Was Laboratory Work Performed Outside of Office—Leave blank.
- \*22. Diagnosis of Nature of Illness
  - a. Adjust—Print the information exactly as it appears on the original claim if not adjusting the information.
  - b. Void—Print the information exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- 23. Attending Number—Enter the attending number submitted on original claim, if any,or leave this space blank.
- 24. Prior Authorization #—Enter the PA number if applicable or leave blank.
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  - b. Void—Print the information exactly as it appears on the original claim.
- \*26. Control Number—Print the correct Control Number as shown on the Remittance Advice.
- \*27. Date of Remittance Advice that Listed Claim was Paid—Enter MM DD YY from RA form.
- \*28. Reasons for Adjustment—Check the appropriate box if applicable, and write a brief narrative that describes why this adjustment is necessary.
- \*29. Reasons for Void—Check the appropriate box if applicable, and write a brief narrative that describes why this void is necessary.
- \*30. Signature of Physician or Supplier—All Adjustment/Void forms must be signed.
- \*31. Physician's or Supplier's Name, Address, Zip Code and Telephone Number—Enter the requested information appropriately plus the seven (7) digit Medicaid provider number. *The form will be returned if this information is not entered.*
- 32. Patient's Account Number—Enter the patient's provider-assigned account number.

Marked (\*) items must be completed or form will be returned.

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# STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS BUREAU OF HEALTH SERVICE FINANCING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PROVIDER BILLING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE CLAIM FORM

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### COMMUNITYCARE

#### **Program Description**

CommunityCARE is operated as a State Plan option as published in the Louisiana Register volume 32: number 3 (March 2006). It is a system of comprehensive health care based on a primary care case management (PCCM) model. CommunityCARE links Medicaid eligibles with a primary care physician (PCP) that serves as their medical home.

#### Recipients

Participation in the CommunityCARE program is mandatory for most Medicaid eligibles. Currently, seventy-five to eighty percent of all Medicaid eligibles are linked to a primary care provider. Recipients not linked to a CommunityCARE PCP may continue to receive services without a referral/authorization just as they did before CommunityCARE. Those recipient types that are **EXEMPT** from participation in CommunityCARE, and will not be linked to a PCP, are listed below. (This list is subject to change):

- Residents of long term care nursing facilities, psychiatric facilities, or intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR) such as state developmental centers and group homes
- Recipients who are 65 or older
- Recipients with Medicare benefits, including dual eligibles
- Foster children or children receiving adoption assistance
- Hospice recipients
- Office of Youth Development recipients (children in State custody)
- Recipients in the Medicaid physician/pharmacy 'Lock-In' program (recipients that are pharmacy-only 'Lock-In' are not exempt)
- Recipients who have other primary insurance with physician benefits, including HMOs
- Recipients who have an eligibility period of less than 3 months
- Recipients with retroactive only eligibility (CommunityCARE does not make retroactive linkages)
- BHSF case-by-case approved "Medically High Risk" exemptions
- Native American Indians residing in parish of reservation (currently Jefferson Davis, St. Mary, LaSalle and Avoyelles parishes)
- Recipients in pregnant woman eligibility categories
- Recipients in the PACE program
- SSI recipients under the age of 19
- Recipients under the age of 19 in the NOW and Children's Choice waiver programs

CommunityCARE enrollees are identified under the CommunityCARE segment of REVS, MEVS and the online verification system through the Unisys website – <u>www.lamedicaid.com</u>. This segment gives the name and telephone number of the linked PCP.

#### **Primary Care Physician**

As part of the PCPs' care coordination responsibilities they are obligated to ensure that referral authorizations for medically necessary healthcare services which they can not/do not provide are furnished promptly and without compromise to quality of care. The PCP shall not unreasonably withhold or deny valid requests for referrals/authorizations that are made in accordance with CommunityCARE policy. The PCP also shall not require that the requesting provider complete the referral authorization form. The State encourages PCPs to issue appropriately requested referrals/authorizations as quickly as possible, taking into consideration the urgency of the enrollee's medical needs, not to exceed a period of 10 days. Although this time frame was designed to provide guidance for responding to requests for post-authorizations, we encourage PCPs to respond to requests sooner than 10 days if possible. Deliberately holding referral authorizations until the 10th day just because the PCP has 10 days is inappropriate.

The PCP referral/authorization requirement does not replace other Medicaid policies that are in existence. For example, if the service requires prior authorization, the provider must still obtain prior authorization <u>in addition to</u> obtaining the referrals/authorizations from the PCP.

The Medicaid covered services, which do not require authorization referrals from the CommunityCARE PCP, are "<u>exempt</u>." The current list of exempt services is as follows:

- Chiropractic service upon KIDMED referrals/authorizations, ages 0-21
- Dental services for children, ages 0-21 (billed on the ADA claim form)
- Dental Services for Pregnant Women (ages 21-59), billed on the ADA claim form
- Dentures for adults
- The three higher level (CPT 99283, 99284, 99285) emergency room visits and associated physician services (NOTE: The two lower level Emergency room visits (CPT 99281, 99282) and associated physician services do not require prior authorization, but do require POST authorization. Refer to "Emergency Services" in the CommunityCARE Handbook
- Inpatient Care that has been pre-certed (this also applies to public hospitals even without pre-certification for inpatient stays): hospital, physician, and ancillary services billed with inpatient place of service.
- EPSDT Health Services Rehabilitative type services such as occupational, physical and speech/language therapy delivered to EPSDT recipients through schools or early intervention centers or the EarlySteps program
- Family planning services
- Prenatal/Obstetrical services
- Services provided through the Home and Community-Based Waiver programs
- Targeted case management
- Mental Health Rehabilitation(privately owned clinics)
- Mental Health Clinics(State facilities)
- Neonatology services while in the hospital
- Ophthalmologist and Optometrist services (age 0-21)
- Pharmacy
- Inpatient Psychiatric services (distinct part and freestanding psychiatric hospital)
- Psychiatrists services
- Transportation services

- Hemodialysis
- Hospice services
- Specific outpatient laboratory/radiology services
- Immunization for children under age 21 (Office of Public Health and their affiliated providers)
- WIC services (Office of Public Health WIC Clinics)
- Services provided by School Based Health Centers to recipients age 10 and over
- Tuberculosis clinic services (Office of Public Health)
- STD clinic services (Office of Public Health)
- Specific lab and radiology codes

#### **Non-PCP Providers and Exempt Services**

Any provider other than the recipient's PCP must obtain a referral from the recipient's PCP, prior to rendering services, in order to receive payment from Medicaid. Any provider who provides a non-exempt, non-emergent (routine) service for a CommunityCARE enrollee, without obtaining the appropriate referral/authorization prior to the service being provided risks nonpayment by Medicaid. DHH and Unisys will not assist providers with obtaining referrals/authorizations for routine/non-urgent care not requested in accordance with **CommunityCARE policy.** PCPs are not required to respond to requests for referrals/authorizations for non-emergent/routine care not made in accordance with CommunityCARE policy: i.e. requests made after the service has been rendered. When a patient is being discharged from the hospital it is the responsibility of the discharging physician/hospital discharge planner to coordinate with the patient's PCP to obtain the appropriate referral/authorization for any follow-up services the patient may need after discharge (i.e. Durable Medical Equipment (DME) or home health). Neither the home health nor DME provider can receive reimbursement from Medicaid without the appropriate PCP referral/authorization. The DME and home health provider must have the referral/authorization in hand prior to rendering the services.

#### General Assistance – all numbers are available Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm

#### **Providers:**

Unisys - (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040 - CommunityCARE Program policy, procedures, and problems, complaints concerning CommunityCARE

ACS - (800) 259-4444 PCP - assignment for CommunityCARE recipients, inquiries related to monitoring, certification

ACS - (877) 455-9955 – Specialty Care Resource Line - assistance with locating a specialist in their area who accepts Medicaid.

#### Enrollees:

Medicaid provides several options for enrollees to obtain assistance with their Medicaid enrollment. Providers should make note of these numbers and share them with recipients.

- CommunityCARE Enrollee Hotline (800) 259-4444: Provides assistance with questions or complaints about CommunityCARE or their PCP. It is also the number recipients call to select or change their PCP.
- Specialty Care Resource Line (877) 455-9955: Provides assistance with locating a specialist in their area who accepts Medicaid.
- CommunityCARE Nurse Helpline (866) 529-1681: Is a resource for recipients to speak with a nurse 24/7 to obtain assistance and information on a wide array of health-related topics.
- <u>www.la-communitycare.com</u>
- <u>www.lamedicaid.com</u>

## **ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (EDI)**

#### **Claims Submission**

Electronic data interchange submission is the preferred method of submitting Medicaid claims to Unisys. With electronic data, a provider or a third party contractor (billing agent) submits Medicaid claims to Unisys on a computer encoded magnetic tape, diskette or via telecommunications.

Each claim undergoes the editing common to all claims, e.g., verification of dates and balancing. Each type of claim has unique edits consistent with the requirements outlined in the provider manuals. All claims received via electronic data must satisfy the criteria listed in the manual for that type of claim.

Advantages of submitting claims electronically include increased cash flow, improved claim control, decrease in time for receipt of payment, automation of receivables information, improved claim reporting by observation of errors and reduction of errors through pre-editing claims information.

#### **Certification Forms**

Any submitter - individual providers, clearinghouse, billing agents, etc. - that submits at least one claim electronically in a given year is required to submit an Annual EDI Certification Form. This form is then kept on file to cover all submissions within the calendar year. It must be signed by an authorized representative of the provider and must have an original signature (no stamps or initials.)

Third Party Billers are required to submit a Certification Form including a list of provider(s) name(s) and Medicaid Provider numbers. Additionally, all Third Party Billers **MUST** obtain a "Professional, Pharmacy, Hospital or KIDMED Services Certification" form on which the provider has attested to the truth, accuracy and completeness of the claim information. These forms **MUST** be maintained for a period of five years. This information must be furnished to the agency, the DHH Secretary, or the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit upon request.

Required Certification forms may be obtained from lamedicaid.com under the <u>EDI Certification</u> <u>Notices and Forms</u> HIPAA Information Center link. The required forms are also available in both the General EDI Companion Guide and the EMC Enrollment Packet.

Failure to submit the Annual Certification Form will result in deactivation of the submitter number. Once the Cert is received, the number will be reactivated. There will be a delay if the number is deactivated thus preventing timely payment to your providers. Failure to correctly complete the Certification Form will result in the form being returned for correction.

To contact the EMC Department at Unisys, call (225) 216-6000 and select option 2. Providers may write to Unisys EMC Department, P.O. Box 91025, Baton Rouge, LA 70821.

#### Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) General Information

Please review the entire General EDI Companion Guide before completing any forms or calling the EMC Department.

The following claim types may be submitted as approved HIPAA compliant 837 transactions:

- Pharmacy
- Hospital Outpatient/Inpatient
- Physician/Professional
- Home Health
- Emergency Transportation
- Adult Dental
- Dental Screening
- Rehabilitation
- Crossover A/B

The following claims types may be submitted under proprietary specifications (not as HIPAA-compliant 837 transactions):

- Case Management services
- Non-Ambulance Transportation

Any number of claims can be included in production file submissions. There is no minimum number.

EDI Testing is required for all submitters (including KIDMED) before they are approved to submit claims for production unless the testing requirement has been completed by the Vendor. LTC providers must test prior to submission to production.

Case Management Services and Non-Ambulance Transportation submitters who file via modem MUST wait 24 hours, excluding weekends, between file submissions to allow time for processing.

#### **Enrollment Requirements For EDI Submission**

- Submitters wishing to submit EDI 837 transactions without using a Third Party Biller - complete the PROVIDER'S ELECTION TO EMPLOY ELECTRONIC MEDIA SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS (EMC Contract).
- Submitters wishing to submit EDI 837 transactions through a Third Party Biller or Clearinghouse – complete the PROVIDER'S ELECTION TO EMPLOY ELECTRONIC MEDIA SUBMISSION OF CLAIMS (EMC Contract) and a Limited Power of Attorney.
- Third Party Billers or Clearinghouses (billers for multiple providers) are required to submit a completed HCFA 1513 Disclosure of Ownership form and return it with a completed EMC Contract and a Limited Power of Attorney for their first client to Unisys Provider Enrollment.

#### **Enrollment Requirements For 835 Electronic Remittance Advices**

- All EMC billers have the option of signing up for 835 Transactions (Electronic Remittance Advice). This allows EMC billers to download their remittance advices weekly.
- 835 Transactions may not contain all information printed on the hardcopy RA, ex. blood deductible, patient account number, etc.
- To request 835 Transactions Electronic Remittance Advice, contact Unisys EMC Department at (225) 216-6000 ext. 2.

#### **Electronic Adjustments/Voids**

Adjustments and voids can be submitted electronically. If your present software installation does not offer this option, please contact your software vendor to discuss adding this capability to your software.

#### SUBMISSION DEADLINES Regular Business Weeks

Magnetic Tape and Diskettes KIDMED Submissions (All Media) Telecommunications (Modem)

#### Thanksgiving Week

Magnetic Tape and Diskettes KIDMED Submissions Telecommunications (Modem) 4:30 P.M. each Wednesday 4:30 P.M. each Wednesday 10:00 A.M. each Thursday

4:30 P.M. Tuesday, 11/21/06 4:30 P.M. Tuesday, 11/21/06 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, 11/22/06

#### Important Reminders For EMC Submission

Denied claims may be resubmitted electronically unless the denial code states otherwise. This includes claims that have produced a denied claim turnaround document (DTA). Claims with attachments must be submitted hardcopy.

- If errors exist on a file, the file may be rejected when submitted. Errors should be corrected and the file resubmitted for processing.
- The total amount of the submitted file must equal the amount indicated on the Unisys response file.
- All claims submitted must meet timely filing guidelines.

## HARD COPY REQUIREMENTS

DHH has made the decision to continue requiring hardcopy claim submissions for all existing hardcopy attachments, as indicated in the table below.

HARDCOPY CLAIM(S) & REQUIRED ATTACHMENT(S)	BILLING REQUIREMENTS			
Spend Down Recipient – 110MNP Spend Down Form	Continue hardcopy billing			
Retroactive eligibility – copy of ID card or letter from parish office, BHSF staff	Continue hardcopy billing			
Recipient eligibility Issues – copy of MEVS printout, cover letter	Continue hardcopy billing			
Timely filing – letter/other proof i.e., RA page	Continue hardcopy billing			

**PLEASE NOTE:** when a provider submits a claim, which has more than one page of procedures and charges, each claim page must be totaled and attachments must be submitted with each page of the claim.

## **CLAIMS PROCESSING REMINDERS**

Unisys Louisiana Medicaid images and stores all Louisiana Medicaid paper claims on-line. This process allows the Unisys Provider Relations Department to respond more efficiently to claim inquiries by facilitating the retrieval and research of submitted claims.

If claims cannot be submitted electronically, prepare paper claim forms according to the following instructions to ensure appropriate and timely processing:

- Submit an original claim form whenever possible. Do not submit carbon copies under any circumstances. If you must submit a photocopy, ensure that it is legible, and not too light or too dark.
- Enter information within the appropriate boxes and align forms in your printer to ensure the correct horizontal and vertical placement of data elements within the appropriate boxes.
- Providers who want to draw the attention of a reviewer to a specific part of a report or attachment are asked to circle that particular paragraph or sentence. **DO NOT use a highlighter to draw attention to specific information.**
- Paper claims must be legible and in good condition for scanning into our document imaging system.
- Don't forget to sign and date your claim form. Unisys will accept stamped or computer-generated signature, but they must be initialed by authorized personnel.
- Continuous feed forms must be torn apart before submission.
- Use high quality printer ribbons or cartridges-black ink only.
- Use 10-12 point font sizes. We recommend font styles Courier 12, Arial 11, and Times New Roman 11.
- Do not use italic, bold, or underline features.
- Do not submit two-sided documents.
- Do not use a marking pen to omit claim line entries. Use a black ballpoint pen (medium point).

The recipient's 13-digit Medicaid ID number must be used to bill claims. The CCN number from the plastic card is NOT acceptable.

#### Attachments

All claim attachments should be standard  $81/2 \times 11$  sheets. Any attachments larger or smaller than this size should be copied onto standard sized paper. If it is necessary to attach documentation to a claim, the documents must be placed directly behind each claim that requires this documentation. Therefore, it may be necessary to make multiple copies of the documents if they must be placed with multiple claims.

#### **Changes to Claim Forms**

Louisiana Medicaid policy prohibits Unisys staff from changing any information on a provider's claim form. Any claims requiring changes must be made prior to submission. Please do not ask Unisys staff to make any changes on your behalf.

#### **Data Entry**

Data entry clerks do not interpret information on claim forms-data is keyed as it appears on the claim form. If the data is incorrect, or **IS NOT IN THE CORRECT LOCATION**, the claim will not process correctly.

#### **Rejected Claims**

Unisys currently returns claims that are illegible or incomplete. These claims are not processed and are returned along with a cover letter stating why the claim(s) is/are rejected. During 2005, Unisys returned 273,291 rejected claims to providers. The most common reasons for rejection are listed as follows:

- A signature or handwritten initials were missing
- The recipient number was invalid or missing
- The provider # was missing or incomplete

The criteria for legible claims are:

- All claim forms are clear and in good condition
- All information is readable to the normal eye
- All information is centered in the appropriate block
- All essential information is complete

## **IMPORTANT UNISYS ADDRESSES**

Please be aware that **different post office boxes** are used for the various Medicaid programs. If you are submitting an original "clean" hard copy claim for payment or adjustments/voids, please utilize the following post office boxes and zip codes.

Type of Claim		P.O. Box	Zip Code
Pharmacy		91019	70821
<u>CMS</u> Case Management Chiropractic Durable Medical Equipment EPSDT Health Services FQHC Hemodialysis Professional Services	-1500 Claims Independent Lab Mental Health Rehabilitation PCS Professional Rural Health Clinic Substance Abuse and Mental Health Clinic Waiver	91020	70821
Inpatient & Outpatient Hospitals, Freestanding Psychiatric Hospitals, Hemodialysis Facility, Hospice, Long Term Care			70821
Dental, Home Health, Rehabilitation, Transportation (Ambulance and Non- ambulance)		91022	70821
ALL Medicare Crossovers and All Medicare Adjustments and Voids		91023	70821
KIDMED		14849	70898

Unisys also has different post office boxes for various departments. They are as follows:

Department	P.O. Box	Zip Code
EMC, Unisys business & Miscellaneous Correspondence	91025	70898
Prior Authorization	14919	70898
Provider Enrollment	80159	70898
Provider Relations	91024	70821

# TIMELY FILING GUIDELINES

In order to be reimbursed for services rendered, all providers must comply with the following filing limits set by Medicaid of Louisiana:

- Straight Medicaid claims must be filed within 12 months of the date of service.
- KIDMED screening claims (KM-3 forms or 837P with K-3 segment) must be filed within 60 days from the date of service.
- Claims for recipients who have Medicare and Medicaid coverage must be filed with the Medicare fiscal intermediary within 12 months of the date of service in order to meet Medicaid's timely filing regulations.
- Claims which fail to cross over via tape and have to be filed hard copy MUST be adjudicated within six months from the date on the Medicare Explanation of Medicare Benefits (EOMB), provided that they were filed with Medicare within one year from the date of service.
- Claims with third-party payment must be filed to Medicaid within 12 months of the date of service.

#### **Dates of Service Past Initial Filing Limit**

Medicaid claims received after the initial timely filing limits cannot be processed unless the provider is able to furnish proof of timely filing. Such proof may include the following:

# A Claims Status Inquiry (e-CSI) screen print indicating that the claim was processed within the specified time frame.

OR

A Remittance Advice indicating that the claim was processed within the specified time frame.

#### OR

Correspondence from either the state or parish Office of Eligibility Determination concerning the claim and/or the eligibility of the recipient.

**NOTE 1:** All proof of timely filing documentation must reference the individual recipient and date of service. RA pages and e-CSI screen prints must contain the specific recipient information, provider information, and date of service to be considered as proof of timely filing.

**NOTE 2:** At this time Louisiana Medicaid **does not** accept printouts of Medicaid Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA) screens as proof of timely filing. Reject letters are not considered proof of timely filing as they do not reference a specific individual

recipient or date of service. Postal "certified" receipts and receipts from other delivery carriers are not acceptable proof of timely filing.

To ensure accurate processing when resubmitting the claim and documentation, providers must be certain that the claim is legible.

#### Submitting Claims for Two-Year Override Consideration

Providers requesting two-year overrides for claims with dates of service over two years old must provide proof of timely filing and must assure that each claim meets at least one of the three criteria listed below:

- The recipient was certified for retroactive Medicaid benefits, and the claim was filed within 12 months of the date retroactive eligibility was granted.
- The recipient won a Medicare or SSI appeal in which he or she was granted retroactive Medicaid Benefits.
- The failure of the claim to pay was the fault of the Louisiana Medicaid Program rather than the provider's <u>each</u> time the claim was adjudicated.

All provider requests for two-year overrides must be mailed directly to:

#### Unisys Provider Relations Correspondence Unit P.O. Box 91024 Baton Rouge, La 70821

The provider must submit the claim with a cover letter describing the criteria that has been met for consideration along with all supporting documentation. Supporting documentation includes but is not limited to proof of timely filing and evidence of the criteria met for consideration.

Claims submitted without a cover letter, proof of timely filing, and/or supporting documentation will be returned to the provider without consideration. Any request submitted directly to DHH staff will be routed to Unisys Provider Relations.

# PROVIDER ASSISTANCE

Many of the most commonly requested items from providers including, but not limited to, the Field Analyst listing, RA messages, Provider Updates, preferred drug listings, general Medicaid information, and program training packets are available online at www.lamedicaid.com.

#### UNISYS PROVIDER RELATIONS TELEPHONE INQUIRY UNIT

The telephone inquiry staff assists with inquiries such as obtaining policy and procedure/ information/clarification, ordering printed material, requesting a Field Analyst visit, etc., and may be reached by calling:

> (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040\* FAX: (225) 216-6334\*\*

\*Please listen to the menu options and press the appropriate key for assistance.

**NOTE**: Providers should access eligibility information via the Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (MEVS) or the automated Recipient Eligibility Verification System (REVS) at (800) 776-6323 or (225) 216-7387. Providers may also check eligibility by accessing the webbased application, e-MEVS, now available on the Louisiana Medicaid website. Questions regarding an eligibility response may be directed to Provider Relations.

**NOTE**: UNISYS cannot assist recipients. If recipients have eligibility or claims problems, please direct them to the Parish Office or the number on their card: RECIPIENT HELPLINE (800) 834-3333

If the recipients have CommunityCARE questions or concerns, please direct them to the CommunityCARE Recipient Hotline – ACS: (800) 259-4444.

\*\*Provider Relations will accept faxed information regarding provider inquiries on an **approved** case by case basis. However, faxed claims **are not** acceptable for processing.

#### UNISYS PROVIDER RELATIONS CORRESPONDENCE GROUP

The Provider Relations Correspondence Unit is available to research and respond in writing to questions involving problem claims.

All requests to the Correspondence Unit should be submitted to the following address:

#### Unisys Provider Relations Correspondence Unit P. O. Box 91024 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

NOTE: All correspondence sent to Provider Relations, including recipient file updates, must include a separate cover letter explaining the problem or question, a copy of the claim(s), and all pertinent documentation (e.g., copies of RA pages showing prior denials, recipient chart notes, copies of previously submitted claims, documentation verifying eligibility, etc.). **A copy of the** 

# claim form along with applicable corrections and/or attachments must accompany all resubmissions.

Provider Relations staff does not have direct access to eligibility files. Requests to update recipient files are forwarded to the Bureau of Health Services Financing by the Correspondence Unit, so these may take additional time for final resolution.

Requests to update Third Party Liability (TPL) should be directed to:

#### DHH-Third Party Liability Medicaid Recovery Unit P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

"Clean claims" should not be submitted to Provider Relations as this delays processing. Please submit "clean claims" to the appropriate P.O. Box. A complete list is available in this training packet under "Unisys Claims Filing Addresses".

**NOTE**: CLAIMS RECEIVED WITHOUT A COVER LETTER WILL BE CONSIDERED "CLEAN" CLAIMS AND WILL NOT BE RESEARCHED.

#### UNISYS PROVIDER RELATIONS FIELD ANALYSTS

Upon request, Provider Relations Field Analysts are available to visit and train new providers and their office staff on site. Providers are encouraged to request Analyst assistance to help resolve complicated billing/claim denial issues and to help train their staff on Medicaid billing procedures. However, since Field Analysts routinely work in the field, they are not available to answer calls regarding eligibility, routine claim denials, and requests for printed material, or other policy documentation. These calls should be directed to the Unisys Provider Relations Telephone Inquiry Unit at (800) 473-2783 or (225) 924-5040.

FIELD ANALYST	PARISHE	S SERVED
<b>Kellie Conforto</b> (225) 216-6269	Assumption Calcasieu Cameron Jeff Davis Lafourche	St. Mary St. Martin ( <b>below Iberia</b> ) Terrebonne Vermillion
<b>Martha Craft</b> (225) 216-6306	Jefferson Orleans Plaquemines St. Bernard	St. Charles St. James St. John the Baptist St. Tammany ( <b>Slidell only</b> )
<b>Sharon Harless</b> (225) 216-6267	East Baton Rouge ( <b>Baker</b> & <b>Zachary only</b> ) West Baton rouge Iberville Pointe Coupee	St. Helena East Feliciana West Feliciana Woodville (MS) Centerville (MS)
<b>Erin McAlister</b> (225) 216-6201	Ascension East Baton Rouge ( <b>excluding Baker &amp;</b> <b>Zachary</b> ) Livingston	St. Tammany ( <b>excluding</b> Slidell) Tangipahoa Washington McComb (MS)
LaQuanta Robinson (225) 216-6249	Acadia Allen Evangeline Iberia	Lafayette St. Landry St. Martin ( <b>above Iberia</b> ) Beaumont (TX)
<b>Kathy Robertson</b> (225) 216-6260	Avoyelles Beauregard Caldwell Catahoula Concordia Franklin Grant LaSalle	Natchitoches Rapides Sabine Tensas Vernon Winn Natchez (MS) Jasper (TX)
<b>Anna Sanders</b> (225) 216-6273	Bienville Bossier Caddo Claiborne DeSoto East Carroll Jackson Lincoln Madison	Morehouse Ouachita Red River Richland Union Webster West Carroll Marshall (TX) Vicksburg (MS)

### PHONE AND FAX NUMBERS FOR PROVIDER ASSISTANCE

Department	Toll Free Phone	Phone	Fax
<b>REVS</b> - Automated Eligibility Verification	(800) 776-6323	(225) 216-7387	
Provider Relations	(800) 473-2783	(225) 924-5040	(225) 216-6334
POS (Pharmacy) - Unisys	(800) 648-0790	(225) 216-6381	(225) 216-6334
Electronic Media Claims (EMC) - Unisys		(225) 216-6000 option 2	(225) 216-6335
Prior Authorization (DME, Rehab) - Unisys	(800) 488-6334	(225) 928-5263	(225) 929-6803
Home Health P.A Unisys EPSDT PCS P.A Unisys	(800) 807-1320		(225) 216-6342
Dental P.A LSU School of Dentistry		(225) 216-6470	(225) 216-6476
Hospital Precertification - Unisys	(800) 877-0666		(800) 717-4329
Pharmacy Prior Authorization	(866) 730-4357		(866) 797-2329
Provider Enrollment - Unisys		(225) 216-6370	
Fraud and Abuse Hotline (for use by providers and recipients)	(800) 488-2917		
WEB Technical Support Hotline – Unisys	(877) 598-8753		

#### ADDITIONAL NUMBERS FOR PROVIDER ASSISTANCE

Department	Phone Number	Purpose
Regional Office – DHH	(800) 834-3333 (225) 342-9808	Providers may request verification of eligibility for presumptively eligible recipients; recipients may request a new card or discuss eligibility issues.
Eligibility Operations – BHSF	(888) 342-6207	Recipients may address eligibility questions and concerns
LaCHIP Program	(877) 252-2447	Providers or recipients may obtain information concerning the LaCHIP Program which expands Medicaid eligibility for children from birth to 19.
Office of Public Health - Vaccines for Children Program	(504) 838-5300	Providers may obtain information regarding the Vaccines for Children program, including information on how to enroll in the program.
Specialty Care Resource Line - ACS	(877) 455-9955	Providers and recipients may obtain referral assistance.
CommunityCARE/KIDMED Hotline - ACS	(800) 259-4444	Recipients may choose or change a PCP, inquire about CommunityCARE program policy or procedures, express complaints concerning the CommunityCARE program, request enrollment in the KIDMED program, and obtain information on KIDMED. Providers may inquire about PCP assignment for CommunityCARE recipients and CommunityCARE monitoring/certification, and obtain information on KIDMED linkage, referrals, monitoring, and certification.
CommunityCARE Nurse Helpline – ACS	(866) 529-1681	CommunityCARE recipients may call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to speak with a nurse regarding health questions and problems.
EarlySteps Program - OPH	(866) 327-5978	Providers and recipients may obtain information on EarlySteps Program and services offered
LINKS	(504) 838-5300	Providers and recipients may obtain immunization information on recipients.
Program Integrity	(225) 219-4153	Providers may request termination as a recipient's lock-in provider.
Division of Long Term	(225) 219-0200	Providers and recipients may request assistance regarding Elderly and
Supports and Services (DLTSS)	(800) 660-0488	Disabled Adults (EDA), Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) and Long Term Personal Care Services (LT-PCS).
Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)/Waiver Supports & Services (WSS)	(225) 219-0200 (800) 660-0488	Providers and recipients may request assistance regarding waiver services to waiver recipients.

#### DHH PROGRAM MANAGER REQUESTS

Questions regarding the rationale for Medicaid policy, procedure coverage and reimbursement, medical justification, written clarification of policy that is not documented, etc. should be directed in writing to the manager of your specific program:

Program Manager - (i.e. DME, Hospital, etc.) Department of Health and Hospitals P.O. Box 91030 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

# PHONE NUMBERS FOR RECIPIENT ASSISTANCE

Provider Relations cannot assist recipients. The telephone listing below should be used to direct recipient inquiries appropriately.

Department	Phone	Purpose
Fraud and Abuse Hotline	(800) 488-2917	Recipients may anonymously report any suspected fraud and/or abuse.
Regional Office – DHH	(800) 834-3333 (225) 342-9808	Recipients may request a new card or discuss eligibility issues.
Eligibility Operations – BHSF	(888) 342-6207	Recipients may address eligibility questions and concerns
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CommunityCARE Nurse Helpline – ACS	(866) 529-1681	CommunityCARE recipients may call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to speak with a nurse regarding health questions and problems.
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Division of Long Term Supports and Services (DLTSS)	(225) 219-0200 (800) 660-0488	Recipients may request assistance regarding Elderly and Disabled Adults (EDA), Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) and Long Term Personal Care Services (LT- PCS).
Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)/Waiver Supports & Services (WSS)	(225) 219-0200 (800) 660-0488	Recipients may request assistance regarding waiver services.

**NOTE:** Providers should not give their provider numbers to recipients for the purpose of contacting Unisys. Recipients with a provider number may be able to obtain information regarding the provider (last check date and amount, amounts paid to the provider, etc.) that would normally remain confidential.

## LOUISIANA MEDICAID WEBSITE APPLICATIONS

The newest way to obtain general and specific Medicaid information is on our Louisiana Medicaid Provider Website:

#### www.lamedicaid.com

This website has several applications that should be used by Louisiana Medicaid providers. These applications require that providers establish an online account for the site.

#### **Provider Login And Password**

To ensure appropriate security of recipient's patient health information (PHI) and provider's personal information, the secure area of the web site is available to providers only. It is the responsibility of each provider to become "Web Enrolled" by obtaining a login and password for this area of the site to be used with his/her provider number. Once the login and password are obtained by the provider who "owns" the provider number, that provider may permit multiple users to login using the provider number. This system allows multiple individuals to login using the same login and password OR a provider may have up to 500 individual logins and passwords established for a single provider number. The administrative account rights are established when a provider initially obtains a login and password, and should remain with the provider or designated office staff employed by the provider.

A login and password may be obtained by using the link, Provider Web Account Registration Instructions. Should you need assistance with obtaining a login and password or have questions about the technical use of the application, please contact the Unisys Technical Support Desk at 877-598-8753.

Unisys has received inquiries from billing agents/vendors attempting to access this web application. DHH and CMS Security Policy restrictions will not permit Unisys to allow access of this secure application to anyone except the owner of the provider number being used for accessing the site. In cases where an outside billing agent/vendor is contracted to submit claims on behalf of a provider, any existing business partner agreement is between the provider and the billing agent/vendor. Unisys may not permit anyone except the provider to receive or ask for information related to a login and password to access secured information.

#### Web Applications

There are a number of web applications available on the Medicaid website, however, the following applications are the most commonly used:

- Medicaid Eligibility Verification System (e-MEVS) for recipient eligibility inquiries; and
- Claims Status Inquiry (e-CSI) for inquiring on claims status; and
- Clinical Data Inquiry (e-CDI) for inquiring on recipient pharmacy prescriptions as well as other medical claims data; and
- Prior Authorization (e-PA) for requesting prior authorizations electronically.

These applications are available to providers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at no cost.

#### e-MEVS:

Providers can now verify eligibility, primary insurance information, and service limits for a Medicaid recipient using this web application accessed through www.lamedicaid.com. This application provides eligibility verification capability in addition to MEVS swipe card transactions and REVS. An eligibility request can be entered via the web for a single recipient and the data for that individual will be returned on a printable web page response. The application is to be used for single individual requests and cannot be used to transmit batch requests.

Since its release, the application has undergone some cosmetic and informational changes to make it more user-friendly and allow presentation of more complete, understandable information.

#### e-CSI:

Providers wishing to check the status of claims submitted to Louisiana Medicaid should use this application. We are required to use HIPAA compliant denial and reference codes and descriptions for this application. If the information displayed on CSI is not specific enough to determine the detailed information needed to resolve the claim inquiry, refer to the hard copy remittance advice. The date of the remittance advice is displayed in the CSI response. The hard copy remittance advice continues to carry the Louisiana specific error codes. Providers must ensure that their internal procedures include a mechanism that allows those individuals checking claims statuses to have access to remittance advices for this purpose. A LA Medicaid/HIPAA Error Code Crosswalk is available on this website by accessing the link, Forms/Files.

Once enrolled in the website, all active providers, with the exception of "prescribing only" providers, have authorization to utilize the e-CSI application.

#### e-CDI:

The e-CDI application provides a Medicaid recipient's essential clinical history information at the authorized practitioner's finger tips at any practice location.

The nine (9) clinical services information components are:

- 1. Clinical Drug Inquiry
- 2. Physician/EPSDT Encounters
- 3. Outpatient Procedures
- 4. Specialist Services
- 5. Ancillary Services
- 6. Lab & X-Ray Services
- 7. Emergency Room Services
- 8. Inpatient Services
- 9. Clinical Notes Page

This information is updated on a monthly basis, with the exception of the Clinical Drug Inquiry, which is updated on a daily basis. The Clinical Drug Inquiry component will provide clinical historical data on each Medicaid recipient for the current month, prior month, and prior four months. All other components will provide clinical historical data within a six-month period. These updates are based on Medicaid claims history. A print-friendly version of the information on each of the web pages will be accessible and suitable for the recipient's clinical chart.

The major benefits of the use of e-CDI by the practitioner will include:

- 1. Displays a list of all services (i.e. drugs, procedures, MD visits, etc.) by all providers that have provided services to each individual recipient.
- 2. Provides the practitioner rapid access to current clinical data to help him/her evaluate the need for "modifications" of an individual Medicaid recipient's health care treatment.
- 3. Promotes the deliberate evaluation by a practitioner to help prevent duplicate drug therapy and decreases the ordering of duplicate laboratory tests, x-ray procedures, and other services.
- 4. Supplies a list of all practitioner types providing health care services to each Medicaid recipient.
- 5. Assists the practitioner in improving therapeutic outcomes and decreasing health care costs.

#### e-PA

The Electronic Prior Authorization (e-PA) Web Application has been developed for requesting prior authorizations electronically. E-PA is a web application found on the <u>www.lamedicaid.com</u> website and provides a secure web based tool for providers to submit prior authorization requests and to view the status of previously submitted requests. This application is currently restricted to the following prior authorization types:

01 – Inpatient 05 – Rehabilitation 06 – Home Health 09 – DME 14 – EPSDT PCS 99 - Other Providers who do not have access to a computer and/or fax machine will not be able to utilize the web application. However, prior authorization requests will continue to be accepted and processed using the current PA hard-copy submission methods.

NOTE: Dental electronic Prior authorization (e-PA) Web Application to be implemented at a later date. In order to utilize the Dental e-PA Web Application, the dental provider will be required to obtain the services of a vendor to submit the electronic attachment information to Medicaid. Complete Dental e-PA instructions will be provided upon implementation of Dental e-PA.

#### Reminders:

<u>PA Type 01</u>: Outpatient Ambulatory Surgery performed Inpatient on the first or second day of the stay. This is only for State Operated hospitals and Out-of-State hospitals that have a DHH approval letter for the out of state stay. Use ICD-9-CM procedure codes.

<u>PA Type 99</u>: Outpatient Ambulatory Surgery (CPT procedures) performed Inpatient on the first or second day of the stay. The surgery was performed at a State Operated hospital and Out-of-State hospital that has a DHH approval letter for the out of state stay. This is also used for specialized CPT procedures. This is for professional services only.

<u>PA Type 05</u>: Providers must always submit the PA02 Form with each request. Do not request authorization for the evaluation procedures, these do not require prior approval. Submit only units on the e-PA transaction, Do Not submit dollar amounts.

<u>Home Health Providers</u> submitting Rehab Services should use PA Type 05 and <u>PA Type 09</u> when submitting DME Services.

<u>PA Type 09</u>: When submitting a request with a miscellaneous procedure code, the provider must submit a PA01 Form with the description of the item they are requesting.

NO EMERGENCY REQUEST CAN BE SUBMITTED VIA e-PA.

RECONSIDERATION REQUESTS (RECONS) CANNOT BE SUBMITTED VIA THE e-PA WEB APPLICATION AND SHOULD BE SUBMITTED USING THE EXISTING PROCESS.

#### **Additional DHH Available Websites**

<u>www.lamedicaid.com</u>: Louisiana Medicaid Information Center which includes field Analyst listing, RA messages, Provider Updates, preferred drug listings, general Medicaid information, fee schedules, and program training packets

<u>www.lamedicaid.com/provweb1/HIPAA/HIPAAindex.htm</u>: Louisiana Medicaid HIPAA Information Center

<u>www.dhh.louisiana.gov</u>: DHH website – LINKS (includes a link entitled "Find a doctor or dentist in Medicaid")

www.dhh.state.la.us: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH)

<u>www.la-kidmed.com</u>: KIDMED – program information, Frequently Asked Questions, outreach material ordering

<u>www.la-communitycare.com</u>: CommunityCARE – program information, PCP listings, Frequently Asked Questions, outreach material ordering

<u>https://linksweb.oph.dhh.louisiana.gov</u>: Louisiana Immunization Network for Kids Statewide (LINKS)

<u>www.ltss.dhh.louisiana.gov</u>: Division of Long Term Community Supports and Services (DLTSS)

<u>www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=77</u>: Office of Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)

www.dhh.louisiana.gov/offices/?ID=257: EarlySteps Program

<u>www.dhh.state.la.us/offices/?ID=111</u>: DHH Rate and Audit Review (nursing home updates and cost report information, Outpatient Surgery Fee Schedule, Updates to Ambulatory Surgery Groups, contacts, FAQ)

<u>www.doa.louisiana.gov/employ\_holiday.htm</u>: State of Louisiana Division of Administration site for Official State Holidays

# Appendix

# **EPSDT HEALTH SERVICES PROCEDURE CODES**

The following chart lists the codes most commonly billed by EPSDT Health Services providers:

Procedure Code	Description		
90804	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility; approximately 20 – 30 minutes face to face with the patient	\$22.50	
90806	Individual psychotherapy, insight oriented, behavior modifying and/or supportive, in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00	
90810	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical devices, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approximately 20-30 minutes face to face with patient	\$22.50	
90812	Individual psychotherapy, interactive, using play equipment, physical device, language interpreter, or other mechanisms of non-verbal communication in an office or outpatient facility, approx 45-50 minutes face to face with the patient	\$45.00	
90846	Family psychotherapy( w/o Patient)	\$22.50	
90847	Family psychotherapy (conjoint psychotherapy) (with patient present)	\$22.50	
90853	Group psychotherapy (other than of a multiple family group)	\$22.50	
90857	Interactive group psychotherapy	\$22.50	
92506	Evaluation of speech, language, voice, communication, auditory processing and/or aural rehabilitation status	\$45.00	
92507	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); individual	\$7.50	
92508	Treatment of speech, language, voice, communication and/or auditory processing disorder (includes aural rehabilitation); group, 2 or more individuals	\$7.50	
92551	Screening test, pure tone, air only	\$3.60	
92552	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air only.	\$22.50	
92553	Pure tone audiometry (threshold), air and bone.	\$45.00	
92555	Speech audiometry threshold	\$9.00	
92556	Speech audiometry threshold ; with speech recognition	\$22.50	
92557	Comprehensive audiometry, threshold evaluation and speech recognition	\$54.00	
92563	Tone decay test	\$10.00	
92564	Short increment sensitivity index (SISI)	\$20.00	
92565	Stenger test, pure tone	\$15.00	
92567	Tympanometry (impedance testing)	\$22.50	
92568	Acoustic reflex testing; threshold	\$22.50	
92569	Acoustic reflex decay test; decay	\$36.00	
92571	Filtered speech test	\$25.00	
92572	Staggered spondaic word test	\$75.00	
92575	Sensorineural acuity level test	\$20.00	
92576	Synthetic sentence identification test	\$25.00	
92577	Stenger test, speech	\$13.50	
92582	Conditioning play audiometry	\$45.00	

92583	Select picture audiometry	\$22.50
92584	Electrocochleography	\$200.00
92585	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the central nervous system; comprehensive	
92586	Auditory evoked potentials for evoked response audiometry and/or testing of the CNS; limited	
92587	Evoked otoacoustic emissions; limited (single stimulus level, either transient or distortion products)	\$25.00
92588	Comprehensive or diagnostic evaluation (comparison of transient and/or distortion product otoacoustic emissions at multiple levels and frequencies)	\$50.00
92590	Hearing aid exam and selection, monaural	\$65.00
92591	Hearing aid exam and selection, binaural	\$65.00
92592	Hearing aid check, monaural	\$22.50
92593	Hearing aid check, binaural	\$45.00
92594	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, monaural	\$22.50
92595	Electroacoustic evaluation for hearing aid, binaural	\$45.00
96101	Psychological testing (includes psychodiagnostic assessment of emotionality, intellectual abilities, personality and psychopathology, eg, MMPI, Rorshach, WAIS), per hour of the psychologist's or physician's time, both face-to-face time with the patient and time interpreting test results and preparing the report	\$76.50
97001	Physical Therapy evaluation	\$54.00
97003	Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$51.00
97032	Application of modality to one or more areas; electrical stimulation (manual), each 15 minutes	\$10.00
97110	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; therapeutic exercises to develop strength and endurance, range of motion and flexibility	\$10.00
97112	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; neuromuscular re-education of movement, balance, coordination, kinesthetic sense, posture and/or proprioception for sitting and/or standing activities	\$10.00
97116	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; gait training (includes stair climbing)	\$20.00
97124	Therapeutic procedure, one or more areas, each 15 minutes; massage, including effeurage, petrissage, and/or tapotement (stroking, compression, percussion, etc.)	\$10.00
97530	Therapeutic activities, direct (one-on-one) patient contact by the provider (use of dynamic activities to improve functional performance); each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97750	Physical performance test or measurement (eg, musculoskeletal, functional capacity), with written report, each 15 minutes	\$8.00
97760	Orthotic(s) management and training (including assessment and fitting when not otherwise reported), upper extremity(s), lower extremity(s), lower extremity(s) and/or trunk, each 15 minutes	\$8.00

NOTE: CPT codes 96100 and 97504 have been deleted from CPT 2006

\* As of the date of publication of this manual, the fee has not been loaded onto the procedure file. Providers will be notified when the fee has been loaded. Contact Provider Relations at (800)473-2783 if any questions.

Reimbursement fees are current as of March 9, 2006 and are subject to change.

EarlySteps Louisiana's Early Intervention System System Point of Entry (SPOE's)

DHH	SPOE	Parishes	Contractor-Information
Region 1	Jefferson Parish Human Service Authority	Orleans, St. Bernard, Jefferson , Plaquemines	Denise O'Guinn, Program Supervisor 201 Evans Road Bldg 1 Suite 100 Harahan, LA 70123 Phone (504) 888-7530 Toll Free 1-866-296-0718 Fax (504) 838-5284 E-mail: doguinn@fhfgno.org
2	Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center	East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, West Feliciana, Pointe Coupee, Iberville, Ascension	Brian Jakes III, Program Manager 3060 Teddy Drive Suite A Baton Rouge, LA 70809 Phone (225) 925-2626 Toll Free 1-866-925-2426 Fax (225) 925-1370 E-mail: ahecbpj@1-55.com
3	Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center	Assumption, St. John, St. Charles, St. James, Terrebonne, Lafourche, St. Mary	Brian Jakes III, Program Manager 602 Parish Road Thibodaux, LA 70301 Phone (985) 447-6550 Toll Free 1-866-891-9044 Fax (985) 447-6513 E-mail: <u>ahecbpj@l-55.com</u>
4	First Steps Referral and Consulting LLC	Lafayette, Iberia, St. Martin, Vermillion, St. Landry, Evangeline, Acadia	Mary F. Hockless, CEO 134 East Main Street, Suite 4 New Iberia, LA 70560 Phone (337) 359-8748 Toll Free 1-866-494-8900 Fax (337) 359-8747 E-mail: teamfsrc@bellsouth.net
5	First Steps Referral and Consulting LLC	Beauregard, Jefferson Davis, Allen, Cameron, Calcasieu	Mary F. Hockless, CEO 134 East Main Street, Suite 4 New Iberia, LA 70560 Phone (337) 359-8748 Toll Free 1-866-494-8900 Fax (337) 359-8747 E-mail: teamfsrc@bellsouth.net
6	Families Helping Families at the Crossroads of Louisiana	Vernon, Rapides, Winn, Grant, LaSalle, Catahoula, Concordia, Avoyelles	Teresa Harmon, Program Supervisor 2840 Military Highway Suite B Pineville, LA 71360 Phone (318) 640-7078 Toll Fee 1-866-445-7672 Fax (318) 640-5799

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7	Families Helping Families at the Crossroads of Louisiana	Caddo, Bossier, Webster, Claiborne, Bienville, Natchitoches, Sabine, DeSoto, Red River	Jennifer Boyll, Program Supervisor 2620 Centenary Blvd. Bldg. 2 Suite 249 Shreveport, LA 71104 Phone (318) 226-8038 Toll Free 1-866-676-1695 Fax (318) 425-8295 E-mail: jennifer@spoe.ntcmail.net
8	Easter Seals of Louisiana	Ouachita, Union, Jackson, Lincoln, Caldwell, Morehouse, West Carroll, East Carroll, Richland, Franklin, Tensas, Madison	Peyton Fisher, Director 1300 Hudson Lane, Suite 5 Monroe, LA 71201 Phone (318) 322-4788 Toll Free 1-877-322-4788 Fax (318) 322-1549 Email: pfisher@bayou.com
9	Southeast Louisiana Area Health Education Center	St. Tammany, Livingston, Tangipohoa, Washington, St. Helena	<b>Brian Jakes III, Program Manager</b> 1302 J.W. Davis Drive Hammond, LA 70403 Phone (985) 429- 1252 Toll Free 1-866-640-0238 Fax (985) 429-1613 Email: <u>ahecbpj@1-55.com</u>

#### **Place of Service Codes**

Current codes and descriptions are maintained at posinfo@cms.hhs.gov.

Place of Service Code	Place of Service Name	Place of Service Description	
03	School	A facility whose primary purpose is education.	
12	Home	Location, other than a hospital or other facility, where the patient receives care in a private residence.	
99	Other Place of Service	Other place of service not identified above.	