

# PROVIDER BULLETIN

Provider information



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## Change in billing policy for child and teen checkups

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) updated their billing policy for certain components of a child and teen checkup (C&TC). DHS determined that reimbursement for health education and anticipatory guidance is included in the payment of the evaluation and management (E&M) code used for a C&TC screening. Effective January 1, 2013, Blue Plus began following these DHS guidelines for Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP) subscribers and therefore no longer allows procedure codes 99401-99404 to be reimbursed separately from the E&M code. This Bulletin serves as a reminder of the obligation of both Blue Plus and providers to adhere to the updated DHS policy for C&TC.

### Questions?

If you have questions, please contact provider services at **(651) 662-5200** or toll free at **1-800-262-0820**.