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Provider information



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April 2013 HCPCS code updates

In compliance with HIPAA requirements, effective with dates of service on or after April 1, 2013, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) will accept the quarterly Level II (alphanumeric) HCPCS additions and deletion published by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Added codes will be rejected if submitted with a date of service before April 1, 2013. Likewise, discontinued codes will be rejected if submitted with a date of service on or after April 1, 2013.

Code list

HCPCS codes are generally only published once a year; however, CMS may publish added, revised and/or deleted codes on a quarterly basis. As a courtesy to our providers, we are publishing the added and discontinued codes below.

Added codes:

Code	Narrative
C9130	Injection, immune globulin (Bivigam), 500 mg
C9297	Injection, omacetaxine mepesuccinate, 0.01 mg
C9298	Injection, ocriplasmin, 0.125 mg
C9734	Focused ultrasound ablation/therapeutic intervention, other than uterine leiomyomata, with
	or without magnetic resonance (MR) guidance
C9735	Anoscopy; with directed submucosal injection(s), any substance
Q0507	Miscellaneous supply or accessory for use with an external ventricular assist device
Q0508	Miscellaneous supply or accessory for use with an implanted ventricular assist device
Q0509	Miscellaneous supply or accessory for use with any implanted ventricular assist device for
	which payment was not made under Medicare part A

Discontinued code:

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Code	Narrative	
Q0505	Miscellaneous supply or accessory for use with ventricular assist device	

Coding requirements reminder

All coding and reimbursement is subject to changes, updates, or other requirements of coding rules and guidelines. All codes are subject to federal HIPAA rules, and in the case of medical code sets (for example, HCPCS, CPT, ICD-9-CM), only valid codes for the date of service may be submitted or accepted.

Questions?

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

HCPCS stands for Health Care Procedure Coding System CPT® (Current Procedural Terminology) is a registered trademark of the American Medical Association ICD-9-CM stands for International Classification of Diseases 9th revision Clinical Modification

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