

PROVIDER BULLETIN

Provider information



April 23, 2012

Update to Attachment B: Definition of Outpatient Health Services Categories

Included with your 2012 Institutional Provider Service Agreement (Agreement) with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota is a document entitled “Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota: Attachment B: Definition of Outpatient Health Service Categories.”

As stipulated in that document, we are notifying you of a new code that has been added and to which outpatient health service category codes have been assigned. Specifically, the Agreement states: “Provider Bulletins will inform providers when new codes are released by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the American Medical Association (AMA) during the 2012 calendar year. New codes will be added to the pertinent categories as updates are published and received. Any CPT or HCPCS codes that have not been assigned to a specific category will be attributed to the nonemergency services Category VIII.”

Please note that not all hospitals are affected by this change. To verify if your hospital is affected, refer to your Institutional Provider Service Agreement with Blue Cross.

The following HCPCS code is effective April 1, 2012.

Added Codes

HCPCS	Code Description	2012 Attachment B	2011 Attachment B
S3721	Prostate cancer antigen 3 (PCA3) testing	Micro Lab	Micro Lab

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