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April 2010 HCPCS code updates

Effective with dates of service on or after April 1, 2010, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus (Blue Cross) will accept the quarterly Level II (alphanumeric) HCPCS additions published by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Added codes will be rejected if submitted with a date of service before April 1, 2010.

Code list

HCPCS and CPT[®] codes are generally published only once a year; however, CMS or the American Medical Association (AMA) may publish added, revised and/or deleted codes on a quarterly basis. The added and revised codes effective for dates of service April 1, 2010 and later are listed below.

Added Codes:

GX	Notice of liability issued, voluntary under payer policy
C9258	Injection, telavancin, 10 mg
C9259	Injection, pralatrexate, 1 mg
C9260	Injection, ofatumumab, 10 mg
C9261	Injection, ustekinumab, 1 mg
C9262	Fludarabine phosphate, oral, 1 mg
C9263	Injection, ecallantide, 1 mg
G0432	Infectious agent antigen detection by enzyme immunoassay (EIA) technique, qualitative or semi-quantitative, multiple-step method, HIV-1 or HIV-2, screening
G0433	Infectious agent antigen detection by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) technique, antibody, HIV-1 or HIV-2, screening
G0435	Infectious agent antigen detection by rapid antibody test of oral mucosa transudate, HIV-1 or HIV-2, screening

Revised Codes:

GA	Waiver of liability statement on file issued, as required by payer policy
RA	Replacement of a DME item , orthotic or prosthetic item
RB	Replacement of a part of a DME, orthotic or prosthetic item furnished as part of a repair

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

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ICD-9-CM stands for International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification