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Correction to previous partial psych billing change bulletin

The information in this bulletin replaces Provider Bulletin P23-08 titled Partial psych billing change that was communicated on September 29, 2008.

Effective January 1, 2009, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and Blue Plus will change billing requirements for partial psychiatric hospitalization services. Currently, Blue Cross requires submission of these services on an inpatient type of bill under the room and board revenue code 0120. As of January 1, partial psych services must be billed as an outpatient service under revenue codes 0912 or 0913. Detailed billing requirements are listed below.

If your psychiatric unit is Medicare-certified, the following instructions apply:

Bill using your NPI with the appropriate taxonomy code (partial psych)

- If the patient is **not** a Medicare member, submit claims using TOB 013X (Hospital Outpatient) with revenue codes 0912-0913 and HCPCS code H0035. For a child/adolescent program, use H0035 with the HA modifier.
 - 0912 – Behavioral Health Treatments/Services – Partial Hospitalization – Less Intensive
 - 0913 – Behavioral Health Treatments/Services – Partial Hospitalization – Intensive
 - H0035 – Mental health partial hospitalization, treatment, less than 24 hours
 - HA – Child/adolescent program
- If the patient is a Medicare member, submit claims using TOB 013X, condition code 41 and the Medicare-allowed revenue codes:
 - 0250 – Pharmacy (drugs and biologicals) (no HCPCS required)
 - 043X – Occupational therapy, partial hospitalization (G0129)
 - 0900 – Behavioral health treatments/services general (90801, 90802, or 90899)
 - 0904 – Activity therapy, partial hospitalization (G0176)
 - 0914 – Individual psychotherapy (90816, 90817, 90818, 90819, 90821, 90822, 90823, 90824, 90826, 90827, 90828, or 90829)
 - 0915 – Group therapy (90849, 90853, or 90857)
 - 0916 – Family psychotherapy (90846, 90847, or 90849)
 - 0918 – psychiatric testing (96101-96103, 96116, 96118-96120)
 - 0942 – Education training (G0177)

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Partial program is not hospital-based

If your partial program is **not hospital-based** but is part of a community mental health center in accordance with MS256B.0625, subd 5 and is certified by Medicare to provide partial hospitalization, bill using your NPI with your partial psych taxonomy code, using TOB 013X and revenue codes 0912-0913.

Hospital outpatient claims generally require submission of the appropriate HCPCS code along with the revenue code. The behavioral health (0900-0919) and the education training (0942) revenue codes require submission of a HCPCS code.

Questions?

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

HCPCS stands for Health Care Procedure Coding System