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TRANSMITTAL LETTER CRP-19
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TO: Chiropractors Participating in MassHealth
FROM: Douglas S. Brown, Acting Commissioner
RE: *Chiropractor Manual* (Changes to Service Codes and Descriptions)

This letter transmits revisions to the list of MassHealth-covered codes and descriptions in Subchapter 6 of the *Chiropractor Manual*. These revisions are effective for dates of services on or after July 1, 2003.

2003 HCPCS (Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System) codes have been added to replace certain MassHealth local codes. The local codes have been replaced so that the Division's coding requirements are compliant with HIPAA (the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996).

Effective for dates of service beginning **August 15, 2003**, the Massachusetts local code for office visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient (X1616) will be replaced by CPT code 99201, and the Massachusetts local code for office visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient (X1617) will be replaced by CPT code 99212. For dates of service between July 1, 2003, and August 14, 2003, providers may use either the Massachusetts local code or the CPT code.

A crosswalk table, listing the old service codes and descriptions and the new HIPAA-compliant ones, is attached.

How to Obtain a Chiropractor Fee Schedule

Providers who want to obtain a fee schedule may purchase Division of Health Care Finance and Policy regulations from either the Massachusetts State Bookstore or from the Division of Health Care Finance and Policy (see addresses and telephone numbers below). Providers must contact them first to find out the price of the publication. The Division of Health Care Finance and Policy also has the regulations available on disk. The regulation title for evaluation and management services and chiropractic manipulative treatment services is 114.3 CMR 28.00: Chiropractic Services. The regulation title for radiology services is 114.3 CMR 18.00: Radiology.

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DMA Web Site

This transmittal letter and attached pages are available on the Division's Web site at www.mass.gov/dma.

Questions

If you have any questions about this transmittal letter, please contact MassHealth Provider Services at 617-628-4141 or 1-800-325-5231.

NEW AND REVISED MATERIAL

(The pages listed here contain new or revised language.)

Chiropractor Manual

Pages 6-1 and 6-2

OBSOLETE MATERIAL

(The pages listed here are no longer in effect.)

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**Chiropractor
Service Code Crosswalk**

Old Code	Description	New Code	Description
X1616	Office visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient, requiring the following three key components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a problem-focused history; • a problem-focused examination; and • straightforward medical decision-making 	99201	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient, which requires these three key components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a problem-focused history; • a problem-focused examination; and • straightforward medical decision-making.
X1617	Office visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient, requiring the following three key components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a problem-focused history; • a problem-focused examination; and • straightforward medical decision-making. 	99212	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient, which requires at least two of these three key components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a problem-focused history; • a problem-focused examination; and • straightforward medical decision-making.

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Service

Code Service Description

EVALUATION AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

X1616 Office visit for the evaluation and management of a new patient, requiring the following three key components:

- a problem-focused history;
- a problem-focused examination; and
- straightforward medical decision making.

X1617 Office visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient, requiring the following three key components:

- a problem-focused history;
- a problem-focused examination; and
- straightforward medical decision making.

CHIROPRACTIC MANIPULATIVE TREATMENT

98940 Chiropractic manipulation (CMT), spinal; one to two regions
 98941 three to four regions
 98942 five regions

RADIOLOGY SERVICES

72010 Radiologic examination, spine; entire, survey study, anteroposterior and lateral
 72020 single view, specify level
 72040 cervical, anteroposterior and lateral
 72070 thoracic, anteroposterior and lateral
 72080 thoracolumbar, anteroposterior and lateral
 72100 lumbosacral, anteroposterior and lateral

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