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Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment (EPSDT) Billing Assistance



Effective with dates of service on or after September 1, 2008, there are three important components of a complete EPSDT screen for billing Fee for Service (FFS) ACCESS Plus claims. The correct diagnosis code, the correct modifier and the YD referral code when applicable according to the periodicity schedule. If the correct information is submitted to the Department of Public Welfare, Error Status Code (ESC) 4001 will post on the claim, if not, check the other ESCs and the list below for assistance. Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) post ESC 4005.

ESC 6007 DIAG V200, V201, OR V202 REQ FOR EPSDT SCREEN

The diagnosis code for a complete EPSDT screen should be V200, V201 or V202. Failure to use one of these codes in any diagnosis field will cause the claim to be considered an incomplete screen and price at the MA fee schedule rate per component instead of the complete screen pricing.

ESC 6008 MODIFIER EP REQ ON E&M CODE FOR EPSDT SCREEN

The EP modifier is required on the assessment code of the complete EPSDT screen. Failure to use the EP modifier may cause the claim to deny or to price at the MA fee schedule rate per component instead of the complete screen pricing.

Additional ESCs that may post if the EP modifier is missing:

- ESC 4036** PROCEDURE CODE/MODIFIER VS POS RESTRICTION
- ESC 4044** PROC CODE NOT COMPENSABLE FOR PROV TYPE
- ESC 5528** RELATED PROCEDURE CANNOT BE BILLED ON THE SAME DOS
- ESC 0752** ACCESS PLUS PCP REFERRAL IS MISSING ON THE CLAIM*

- ESC 6009** REFERRAL CODE YD MISSING ON EPSDT SCREEN

The YD referral code is a required component of a complete EPSDT screen for the three through twenty year screening periods. Failure to use the YD referral code may cause the claim to price at the MA fee schedule rate per component instead of the complete screen pricing.

ESC 0771 BILLED AMOUNT MUST BE \$0 FOR MODIFIERS 52 & 90

If you receive this ESC, remove the billed amount(s) from the lines with the 52 or 90 modifiers and replace it with a zero dollar amount.

Check the website for more information. You may also review the Medical Assistance (MA) Bulletin number 99-08-13 at: www.dpw.state.pa.us/PubsFormsReports/NewslettersBulletins/003673169.aspx

* If a complete screen is not performed a referral is required

For additional information go to the PROMISE™ Web site at <http://promise.dpw.state.pa.us>.

Check the Department of Public Welfare's Web site often at www.dpw.state.pa.us