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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM EPSDT Transmittal No. 32 September 14, 2010

TO:

EPSDT Providers

FROM:

Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director

Office of Health Services

RE:

Procedure Change – Modifier Required for Initial Medical Exam of Child in

State-Supervised Care

NOTE:

Please ensure that the appropriate staff members in your Organizations are

informed of the content of this transmittal.

Effective October 1, 2010, the Department will require EPSDT providers to use **modifier "32"** (Mandated Services) for initial examination visits, and any other procedures provided during this visit, of a child entering State-supervised care. When this modifier is used, MCOs will be obligated to pay for all portions of the EPSDT examination as described in the Healthy Kids Manual. Using this modifier will allow the MCO to identify this service as self referred so that a non participating provider can receive payment.

Prior to rendering well child care to a child in State supervised care a provider must receive EPSDT certification from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Eligible providers should bill the child's MCO utilizing the age appropriate preventative CPT code (see code list below) in conjunction with **modifier "32"** (Mandated Services). Providers should only use modifier "32" for the initial examination visit, and any other procedures provided during this visit, of a child entering State-supervised care. Modifier "32" should not be used for subsequent visits. Eligible providers will be reimbursed by MCOs at the current Medicaid Fee for Service rate.

Comprehensive Preventive Medicine (New Patient)

CPT Code	<u>Modifier</u>	Description
99381 99382 99383 99384	32 32 32 32	Infant (age under 1 year) Early Childhood (age 1 through 4 years) Late Childhood (age 5 through 11 years) Adolescent 9 (age 12 through 17 years)
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Periodic Comprehensive Preventive Services (Established Patient)

<u>C</u>	PT Code	Modifier	<u>Description</u>
	99391	32	Infant (age under 1 year)
	99392	32	Early Childhood (age 1 through 4 years)
	99393	32	Late Childhood (age 5 through 11 years)
	99394	32	Adolescent 9 (age 12 through 17 years)

FOR CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE, SEE THE MEDICIAID PROVIDER FEE MANUAL ON LINE AT: http://www.dhmh.state.md.us/mma/providerinfo/

We appreciate your providing this critical service to this vulnerable population and hope this new billing procedure will help you receive more accurate, timely reimbursement. Please contact the Provider Hotline for additional information, billing questions and/or to report MCO reimbursement difficulties at (800) 766-8692.