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TO: ALL LOCAL COUNTY CALIFORNIA CHILDREN SERVICES (CCS)
PROGRAM AND GENETICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS PROGRAM
(GHPP) STAFF, CCS MEDICAL CONSULTANTS, COUNTY MEDICAL
STAFF, AND SYSTEMS OF CARE DIVISION (SCD) STAFF

SUBJECT: LIST OF CONTRACTED STERILE NEEDLES (HCPCS A4215)

The purpose of this information notice is to communicate that effective for dates of service beginning November 1, 2017, claims billed using A4215 (needles, sterile, any size, each) will be restricted to products listed on the new List of Contracted Sterile Needles (HCPCS A4215). Claims billed with A4215 will no longer require attachment of product costs, such as invoices, catalog pages, or price lists. However, the Universal Products Number (UPN) and the UPN Qualifier, as listed in the contract list, must be provided on the claim. Unlisted products will not be payable in the Medi-Cal billing system and is considered to be a non-benefit service.

The List of Contracted Sterile Needles (HCPCS A4215) may be found at:

http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/publications/masters-mtp/part2/mcsup_a04p00.doc

A Service Code Grouping (SCG) Service Authorization Request (SAR) may be used if the requested supplies do not exceed the Medi-Cal billing limits (Quantity Limits without Authorization) set by the Medi-Cal Program.

Quantity limits (without authorization) are listed in the spreadsheet titled, List of Medical Supplies: Billing Codes, Units, and Quantity Limits at:

http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/publications/masters-mtp/part2/mcsup_a04p00.doc

A separate SAR is needed if the Medi-Cal billing limit, without authorization, is exceeded.

Pharmacy Benefits Division, will review sterile needles and pen needles, billable with A4215, and not identified in the List of Contracted Sterile Needles (HCPCS A4215) spreadsheet for contracting, upon notification.

If you have any questions, please contact Edan Lum, PharmD., Pharmaceutical Consultant, at (415) 557-0222, or via e-mail at edan.lum@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

ORIGINALLY SIGNED BY PATRICIA McCLELLAND

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