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Connecticut Department of Social Services Notifies Providers That They Must Enroll in Medicaid to Order, Refer, and Prescribe Covered Services to Medicaid Beneficiaries

The Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS) announced that all providers who order, refer, or prescribe services for Medicaid beneficiaries must enroll in the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) in order for the rendering/billing provider to receive payment for such services. This new billing rule will be effective on September 1, 2013, for pharmacies that receive reimbursement for medications, supplies, and services dispensed to Medicaid beneficiaries. DSS has not yet announced when the rule becomes effective for other provider types.

PHARMACY PROVIDERS

DSS has advised pharmacies that, effective September 1, 2013, DSS will deny claims for medications, supplies, or services prescribed by providers not enrolled in CMAP (non-CMAP providers). In advance of the effective date, DSS will use Explanation of Benefits (EOB) code 0207 to notify pharmacies when they submit claims for medications, supplies, or services prescribed by non-CMAP providers.

ALL OTHER PROVIDERS

DSS has not announced the date on which it will stop paying reimbursement for other services ordered or referred by non-CMAP providers. Starting on May 1, 2013, however, DSS began posting a billing edit to claims for services ordered or referred by non-CMAP providers. DSS stated that it will continue to pay such claims indefinitely but advised providers to enroll in Medicaid "in order to avoid future claim denials." DSS stated that it will issue a provider bulletin to notify nonpharmacy providers of the date it will begin denying such claims.

To determine whether a provider is enrolled in CMAP, go to http://www.huskyhealthct.org/provider_lookup.html. Providers that wish to enroll with CMAP should access the [Provider Enrollment/Re-enrollment Wizard](#).

For further information, please review DSS Provider Bulletins [2013-24](#) and [2013-30](#), and the HP Provider Update addressing [Pharmacy Affordable Care Act Notifications](#).

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