

State/Tribes/IHS Billing Workgroup

Monthly Teleconference Minutes

Wednesday, July 17, 2013 1:00 pm

Attendees: **Crow IHS** – Margarita Bulltail, Lavonne Spotted Horse; **Fort Belknap IHS** - Mary Mount, Nadine Sullivan; **Billings Area Office IHS** - Felecia Blackhoop, Deanna Dennis, Pete Conway; **CSKT Tribal Health** – Penny Anderson, Billie Felix, Dorothy Frost; **Blackfeet IHS** – Jody Guardipee, Angie Kipp; **Blackfeet Tribal Health** – Ken Walter, Tiffany Hagerty; **Crow Tribal Health** - Todd Wilson; **Rocky Boy Health Board** – Jill Monteau, Amber Nault, Desiree Sutherland, Shane Patacsil, Serene Sunchild, Elaine Coffee, Judy Parker, **Northern Cheyenne Tribal Health** – David Roundstone; **DPHHS** – John Hein, Brett Williams, Duane Preshinger, Ian McEwen, Liz Lelacheur; **Xerox** – Danielle Wood, Tom Keith, Crystal Nachtsheim .

Introductions and roll call.

June Teleconference Minutes Review – Ian McEwen, Tribal Medicaid Specialist, reviewed the topics of discussion from June’s Teleconference Minutes. The topics included eyeglass dispensing fee, facility NPI numbers on CHIP Dental claims, Point of Sale, and ambulance prior authorization. It was also noted that the dispensing fee for pharmacy claims was raised from 6.40 to 6.52. As well, discussion and agreement was reached regarding DPHHS and Indian Health Service to use an updated form of communication for written responses for billing inquiries. The Billings Area Office will be included in written billing instructions to the Service Units from DPHHS. Billings Area Office will include DPHHS when they send out written billing instructions to Service Units as well.

Minutes for this Teleconference, and all other Teleconferences, are always available here: <http://medicaidprovider.hhs.mt.gov/providerpages/providertype/57.shtml>

Multiple Visits Training – DPHHS

Training was provided by the Health Resource Division staff and covered the following guidance:

Questions were addressed from participants and include the following:

TOPIC: Professional Fee 987

Q: Are we able to bill the professional visit, Revenue Code 987, multiple times per date of service for inpatient stays?

A: DPHHS is working with the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) to determine if this billing option is within the Montana State Plan rules. DPHHS will notify all parties when we have reached a conclusion.

Q: When did the payment amount of Revenue Code 987 move to the all-inclusive rate of \$330?

A: This went into effect July 1, 2013, a result from an updated contract negotiation with Indian Health Service and DPHHS, contract number 10-11-1-02-002-0.

TOPIC: Revenue Code 500

Q: Why can't we bill Revenue Code 500 multiple times for a same date-of-service?

A: Revenue Code 519 (outpatient other) was designed for this purpose. Billing two of the same Revenue Codes on the same date-of-service will deny in the system logic.

TOPIC: IHS Physician - providing services off-site

Q: Can an Indian Health Service Physician bill for services they provide to a Medicaid patient in a non-IHS facility?

A: DPHHS is working with the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) to determine if this billing option is within the Montana State Plan rules. DPHHS will notify all parties when we have reached a conclusion.

TOPIC: Access to Web Portal

Q: Can a tribal health department access the Web Portal to search for eligible Medicaid recipients who they potentially reference for personal transportation services?

A: Xerox is looking into the response and will get an answer out when the rules of HIPAA and non-user web portal access is researched.

Next Teleconference

The next call will be held on **Wednesday, August 21, 2013, at 1:00 pm**. Information to call in will be sent out Monday afternoon, July 15. Participants are encouraged to submit their agenda items to Ian McEwen at imcewen@mt.gov. Minutes from previous teleconference calls are available on the [IHS page](#):

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