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Memorandum

Date: December 14, 2020

To: All Providers of Psychiatric Evaluation and Medication Management Service

From: Procedure Code Work Group

Re: Changes to E&M Codes and Descriptions

Effective 01-01-2021, MDHHS will retire code 99201 – “E&M, New Patient, minimal complexity (Typically 10 minutes)” and will implement a new “Add-On” code 99417, for visits that exceed the intensity or duration of 99205 or 99215 by 15 minutes or more.

Additionally, the descriptions have changed slightly so that the typical times have been replaced with a time range. Also, the indirect activities that occur on the same day as the E&M visit can be included in the total time for the E&M visit. You may need to update your information system to accommodate the inclusion of indirect activities. The Medical Decision-Making check list in your information system may also need to be updated to be consistent with the revised descriptions of the E&M codes. Please work with your information system vendor to make any needed updates.

DW IHN will not make any changes, at this time, to the published rates on our website for the E&M codes (i.e., 99202, 99203, 99204, 99205 and 99211, 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215). The rate for the “Add-On” code 99417 will be equivalent to the rate for 99213 for a given contract program.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the DWIHN Team Procedure Code Work Group, procedure.coding@dwihn.org

Thank you.

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