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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to remind providers to use the correct place of service codes when billing medical assistance.

SCOPE:

This bulletin is applicable to all dentists enrolled in the Medical Assistance Program.

BACKGROUND:

In January 1989, the Department activated Remittance Advice Explanation Code 095 which verifies that the procedure was performed in the proper place of service. Failure to use an allowable place of service code for a procedure will result in a rejected claim.

DISCUSSION:

Although the generic billing section of your provider handbook includes a list of the place of service codes, the list does not designate which place of service codes are applicable to specific providers. The place of service codes applicable to dentists are:

- 01 - Office
- 02 - Patient's Home
- 03 - Inpatient Hospital
- 05 - Outpatient Hospital
- 08 - Nursing Facility
- 09 - Independent Clinic
- 10 - Mental Health Establishment
- 12 - Short Procedure Unit/Ambulatory Surgical Center
- 14 - Emergency Room
- 15 - State Mental Retardation Center

This information may also be found on the back of your provider desk reference chart sent by way of Medical Assistance Bulletin 03-88-08.

PROCEDURE:

When billing for services rendered to a medical assistance recipient, use the appropriate place of service code in order to avoid rejection of your claim.

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