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SUBJECT:

Procedure Codes for Anesthesia Services

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Medical Assistance (MA) Bulletin is to obsolete the attachment to MA Bulletin 31-04-06, 32-04-01, issued June 22, 2004, due to misinformation on the 2004 Anesthesia Procedure Codes listing.

SCOPE:

This bulletin applies to all providers of anesthesia services enrolled in the MA Program Fee-for-Service delivery system. Providers of anesthesia services enrolled in the MA Program who receive payment from managed care organizations (MCOs) under contract with the Department are instructed to contact their individual MCOs for information on the impact of this Bulletin on MCO specific billing and claims processing.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

The Department has identified procedure codes that were inadvertently included in the attachment to Medical Assistance (MA) Bulletin 31-04-06, 32-04-01, "Procedure Codes for Anesthesia Services" issued June 22, 2004, and effective July 1, 2004. The following procedure codes are being removed from the attachment to the MA Bulletin:

01995 Regional intravenous administration of local anesthetic agent or other medication (upper or lower extremity); 01996 Daily hospital management of epidural or subarachnoid continuous drug administration; and 01999 Unlisted anesthesia procedure(s)

- 01995 Regional intravenous administration of local anesthetic agent or other medication (upper or lower extremity);
- 01996 Daily hospital management of epidural or subarachnoid continuous drug administration; and
- 01999 Unlisted anesthesia procedure(s)

As a result, the Department is issuing this MA Bulletin with a corrected attachment.

PROCEDURE:

Providers will replace the attachment to MA Bulletin 31-04-06, 32-04-01 with the list of 2004 Anesthesia Procedure Codes attached to this MA Bulletin.

ATTACHMENTS:

- **2004 Anesthesia Procedure Codes**

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