

	MEDICAL ASSISTANCE BULLETIN COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA * DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE	
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SUBJECT: Revisions to the HealthCare Benefits Packages Reference Chart (MA 446)		BY:  Robert S. Zimmerman, Jr., M.P.H. Deputy Secretary for Medical Assistance Programs

PURPOSE:

To advise providers of revisions to the HealthCare Benefits Packages (HCBP) Reference Chart (MA 446).

SCOPE:

This bulletin applies to all providers enrolled in the Medical Assistance (MA) Program.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

MA issued the September 1996 version of the reference chart with MA Bulletin 99-96-06, "Revised HealthCare Benefits Reference Chart (MA 446)". MA periodically issues revised charts, but keeps providers up-to-date via MA bulletins instructing providers to manually update their charts.

PROCEDURE:

Attached to this bulletin is information on two (2) new HCBPs 13 and 14. Please attach this information to the September 1996 HCBP Reference Chart for your use until a new reference chart is issued.

PLEASE NOTE: A Remittance Advice Alert, dated March 23, 1998 and issued with Cycles 40 and 41, erroneously listed disclaimer code "A" (Recipients with Program Status Code 21 and/or Categories TB and TR, not eligible) with Provider Type 17 under HCBO 13 and 14. The correction is as follows:

HCBP 13 - "F" - Recipients with category, TB, not eligible
 HCBP 14 -"Y" Yes, if medically necessary.

ATTACHMENT:

- Revised HealthCare Benefits Packages Chart

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS BULLETIN SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

The appropriate toll-free inquiry line for your provider type.
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