PROVIDER QUICK TIPS

#66

EARLY PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSIS & TREATMENT (EPSDT) & ERROR STATUS CODE 771

•Error Status Code (ESC) 771 is designed to assist providers on correct billing procedures for EPSDT services that were not provided during a screening period. If ESC 771 posts on the claim, please remove the billed amount from the line(s) of service with the 52 or 90 modifiers and replace with $0 then resubmit the claim.

•If the child was referred to an outside laboratory, the appropriate procedure code and modifier 90, must be documented on the claim with a billed amount of $0.
•If a service or component that is required for a complete EPSDT screen was not provided, please list the appropriate procedure code with modifier 52 and a billed amount of $0. Providers are required, at the next screening opportunity, to make every possible effort to complete the service or component that was not provided.

For compensable procedure code/modifier combinations, please refer to the **MA Program Outpatient Fee Schedule** at the following link:

http://dhs.pa.gov/publications/forproviders/schedules/mafeeschedules/index.htm

Please reference Medical Assistance (MA) Bulletin number 99-10-06, **"Revisions to the EPSDT Program Periodicity Schedule,"** effective January 14, 2010, for additional information:

http://dhs.pa.gov/publications/bulletinsearch/index.htm

Please reference the **EPSDT Billing Guide** link below for additional information:

http://www.dhs.pa.gov/cs/groups/webcontent/documents/document/c_208866.pdf

Thank you for your service to our Medical Assistance recipients.
The Department of Human Services values your participation.
Check the department's website often at: www.dhs.pa.gov

pennsylvania
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES