REMINDER: System and Policy Updates, Billing Requirements & Added/Deleted Codes

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Dear provider,

As a reminder, BCBSAZ Health Choice and BCBSAZ Health Choice Pathway provides medically necessary covered services as specified by AHCCCS and CMS. Health care is delivered under the applicable Federal and State laws and regulations. Compliance with all periodic updates to processes and procedures is considered part of your contractual obligation as a participating health care provider.

Please visit the <u>AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)</u>, <u>AHCCCS Contractor Operations Manual (ACOM)</u>, <u>AHCCCS News & Press Releases (azahcccs.gov)</u>, and <u>Medical Coding Resources</u> as available on the <u>AHCCCS website</u> to insure you have reviewed the most recent versions of state guidance.

The AHCCCS Medical Coding Unit is responsible for the update and maintenance of all medical coding related to AHCCCS claims and encounters processing. This includes place of service, modifiers, new procedure codes, new diagnoses, and coding rules. This unit is also responsible for reviewing and responding to any medical coding related guidelines or questions including those related to daily limits, procedure coverage, etc.

The AHCCCS *Claims Clues* is a newsletter produced periodically by the AHCCCS Claims Department for Fee-For-Service (FFS) providers. It provides information about changes to the program, system updates, billing policies and requirements.

Additional information can be found in the AHCCCS **Encounter Keys** newsletter.

Visit the <u>CMS website</u> and subscribe to email updates for the latest information on Medicare enrollment, policies, benefits, and other helpful tools.

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