

Medicaid in Education Alert

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TO: All SSHSP Medicaid Providers

FROM: NYS DOH OHIP SSHSP &
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SUBJECT: SSHSP Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy
Evaluation/Reevaluation Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)
Code Changes – Interim Process

The NYS Department of Health (DOH) has been notified of changes being made by the American Medical Association (AMA) to the CPT codes effective January 1, 2017. The AMA is deleting the physical therapy and occupational therapy evaluation and reevaluation codes and replacing them with eight new codes.

DOH is in the process of making the necessary internal system changes to accommodate these new CPT codes. In the interim, SSHSP billing providers should direct servicing practitioners to continue using the existing SSHSP CPT codes identified on the [SSHSP CPT Code Handout 5](#) until further notice.

Another Medicaid Alert will be issued when system changes have been completed and the SSHSP CPT Code Handout 5 has been updated and posted on the Medicaid-in-Education website. At that time, SSHSP billing providers will need to work with their software vendors and billing agents to update the CPT codes in the specific software applications used to support SSHSP billing activities.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this Alert, please contact the NYS Department of Health at (518) 473-2160 or at SSHSP@health.ny.gov, or the NYS Education Department, Medicaid Unit at medined@nysed.gov.