Screenings and Sick Visits

292.575       Child Health Services (EPSDT) Screenings and Sick Visits       1-15-11

Screenings performed on the same date of service as an office visit for treatment of an acute or chronic condition may be billed as a periodic Child Health Services (EPSDT) screening, electronically or on paper using the CMS-1500 claim form.

Effective for dates of service on and after May 1, 2006, a Child Health Services (EPSDT) screening performed during an office visit for treatment of an acute or chronic condition may be billed as a separate visit for the same date of service using a CPT evaluation and management procedure code. Do not use modifiers on the sick visit procedure code. The visit must be billed electronically, or on paper using a separate CMS-1500 form.

View a CMS-1500 sample form.

242.310 Completion of the CMS-1500 Claim Form

Required Reason Code location: 24H

H. EPSDT/Family Plan

EPSDT Reason Codes are required for EPSDT services. Please enter the appropriate 2 byte reason code in the upper shaded part of the detail line.

AV – Available – Not Used (patient refused referral)

NU – Not Used (used when no EPSDT patient referral was given)

S2 – Under Treatment (patient is currently under treatment for referred diagnostic or corrective health problem)

ST – New Service Requested (Referral to another provider for diagnostic or corrective treatment/scheduled for another appointment with screening provider for diagnostic or corrective treatment for at least one health problem identified during an initial or periodic screening service, not including dental referrals.)

Family Planning Indicator is not applicable for this claim type.

See Sections 241.000 – 243.310 of the EPSDT manual for specific EPSDT billing instructions.

PLEASE REFER TO OFFICIAL NOTICE DATED: Dec. 1, 2010……..CMS-1500 Replaces DMS-694 for EPSDT Screenings or Services