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Billing for RCP Participation in the CCS Outpatient Special Care Center Team

CCS Numbered Letter (NL) 01-0108 provides policy on CCS Outpatient Special Care Center (SCC) Services. The NL provides for participation of designated allied health professionals on the SCC Team and directs that their participation on the SCC Team case conference be billed with procedure code Z4302, Team case conference, other allied health care professionals (physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech therapist/pathologist, genetic counselor, psychologist or audiologist who are participants). Z4302 is included in CCS Service Code Grouping 2 (SCG 02) which is authorized on the Service Authorization Request (SAR) issued to the SCC for a CCS client.

The NL acknowledges that a Respiratory Care Professional (RCP) can be an important participant on an SCC Team in the evaluation and care of children with deficiencies and abnormalities which affect the pulmonary system and associated aspects of cardiopulmonary and other systems functions. However the NL restricts billing for RCP in the SCC Team to two codes X4700 and X4702. X4700 and X4702 are obsolete codes and have been end dated in the claims payment system.

To address this, RCP participation in the SCC Team case conference can now be billed with procedure code Z4302. A prospective amendment to CCS NL 01-0108 will acknowledge this change.

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