

PROVIDER ALERT

UPDATED CPT CODE CHANGE

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In conjunction with the CPT code changes that went into effect January 1, 2013, the Maryland Public Mental Health System (PMHS), after consultation with providers and other stakeholders throughout the State, has decided to implement the "New Patient" E&M codes (99201—99205).

These codes have recently been added to the ValueOptions systems.

The current "add-on" codes for psychotherapy (90833, 90836 and 90838 (for OMHCs only) will also be allowed to be billed with the "New Patient" E&M codes pursuant to the prevailing combination of services rules.

Attached to this Provider Alert is the new Public Mental Health System Reimbursement Schedule as well as revised Combination of Service Rules. These rates/rules are also effective for services provided on or after January 1, 2013.

A number of providers have already started using the new E&M codes and their claims have denied. ValueOptions will be reviewing all of those claims and reprocessing them within the next week. You do not need to re-bill them.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at: <u>marylandproviderrealtion@valueoptions.com</u>