



#### Provider Notice 14-22

Dear Provider,

Effective for claims with dates of service on and after April 1, 2014, Washington Apple Health (Medicaid), administered by the Health Care Authority (agency), is publishing a revised [Physician-Related Services/Health Care Professional Provider Guide](#) and updated [Physician-Related Services Fee Schedule](#).

**Note:** The updated fee schedule may not be available until April 1, 2014. Check the agency's Fee Schedules website often until the updated fee schedule is available.

#### Major updates to the guide include:

- **Blood and blood products** - Removed CPT 88240, Cell cryopreserve/storage from coverage list.
- **Established patient visits** – Clarified billing requirement for CPT code 99211 to include signature and date by a qualified health care professional who provided the service.
- **Expedited Prior Authorization (EPA)** – Removed requirement for prescriber and client to be enrolled in NEXUS program for EPA # 1300, injection, Romiplostim. This change is retroactive to dates of service on and after December 6, 2011, when AMGEN discontinued the NEXUS program.
- **Independent advanced registered nurse practitioners (ARNPs)** – Added policy for a rate increase for independent ARNPs.
- **Oral surgery coverage table** – Removed CPT codes 13150 and 15320. Added CPT codes 15275, 15278, 99242, 99244, 99252, 99254, and 99255.
- **Nonemergency services out-of-state** - Added a policy section regarding nonemergency services provided out-of-state.
- **Pre-/intra-/postoperative payment splits** – Removed payment split chart. Added hyperlink to Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) online.
- **PET Scans and MRI/MRAs** – Removed limit of one per day.
- **Primary care providers** – Added policy section for a higher payment for certain primary care services.
- **Screening, brief interventions, and referral to treatment (SBIRT)** – Removed limit of one (1) per client, per provider, per year for screenings.
- **Smoking Cessation** – Clarified the process a client must follow when Tobacco Quit Line recommends a smoking cessation prescription.

For additional details, see the *What Has Changed* table in the [Physician-Related/Health Care Professional Services Medicaid Provider Guide](#).

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