

## Transition to HCPCS Level II Codes for Medical Supplies

Effective for date of service (DOS) on or after April 1, 2009, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is mandating changes in procedure codes **for disposable and incontinence medical supplies**. These changes include requirements for the use of the national Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Level II codes from the local "99" codes. Below is CenCal Health's policy for transition to HCPCS Level II codes for claims submission

### Claims Submission:

The local "99" codes may be billed to CenCal Health with a DOS on or before June 30, 2009. Submission of a local "99" code with a DOS on or after July 1, 2009 will result in a claim denial. The HCPCS Level II codes are reimbursable for DOS on or after April 1, 2009.

- ❖ **Please note:** the procedure code on the claim must match the procedure code on the TAR in order for the prior authorization to be valid. If a TAR contains dual lines (one for the local code and one for the HCPCS code), please bill the appropriate code based on the DOS. Please do NOT bill for both the local code and its corresponding HCPCS code.

Claims DOS	Code Required
Prior to April 1, 2009	Local Code only
April 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009	Local Code <b>or</b> HCPCS (must match TAR)
After June 30, 2009	HCPCS only

### Which Claim Form should you use?

- **Web Claim Submission**  
Local "99" codes are required to be submitted using the "*Med. Supplies*" claim form. HCPCS Level II codes are required to be submitted using the "*CMS-1500*" claim form.
- **Paper Claim Submission**  
Local "99" codes may be submitted using either the CMS-1500 or the Pharmacy 30-1 form. HCPCS Level II codes are required to be submitted using the CMS-1500 form.

For more information on this transition to HCPCS Level II codes including a procedure code correlation spreadsheet, you may access Medi-Cal's website at [www.medi-cal.ca.gov](http://www.medi-cal.ca.gov). For questions regarding the TAR transition for CenCal Health members, please contact the Health Services Department at extension 1628 or the Provider Services Department at extension 1674. For questions regarding claims submission during this transition, please contact your Claims Representative at extension 1061.