

ALERT

May 10, 2018

TO: IRHC Providers

RE: NEW PROCEDURES ADDED TO ALL-INCLUSIVE ENCOUNTER RATE

Effective May 16, 2018, Medicaid will enforce Alabama Medicaid Administrative Code Rule No. 560-X-8-.03 Reimbursement. As a result, the following procedure codes may no longer be billed and paid outside the IRHC provider encounter rate. Providers should continue listing these procedure codes when filing claims for reimbursement.

- 92551 PURE TONE HEARING TEST AIR
- 99173 VISUAL ACUITY SCREEN
- 96110 DEVELOPMENTAL SCREEN W/SCORE
- 96127 BRIEF EMOTIONAL OR BEHAVIORAL ASSESSMENT (smoking cessation)

Claims that are billed using the non-IRHC number for reimbursement will be monitored on a post payment review process. Claims that are filed and paid with these procedures outside of the encounter rate will be subject to recoupment.

Contact the Provider Assistance Center at 1-800-688-7989 if you have received denials for the four codes listed above when billing and using the non-IRHC number. A call center associate will review your file and advise you on how to proceed with refiling the claim.

Any other questions should be directed to Calvin Binion at <u>calvin.binion@medicaid.alabama.gov.</u>