



### Ohio BWC Updates Medical Services Fee Schedule

During its July 29 meeting, the BWC Board of Directors approved an update to BWC's professional providers and medical services fee schedule, which sets reimbursement rates for the more than 64,000 certified medical providers. The updated fee schedule will become effective October 25<sup>th</sup>.

The updated schedule is projected to increase reimbursement to providers serving Ohio's injured workers by nearly 3 percent. New

codes used to identify medical services and procedures will make certain that injured workers receive appropriate care; ease the reimbursement process; and bring more clarity to the benefits covered under BWC's plan.

BWC fee schedules are available for viewing at [ohiobwc.com](http://ohiobwc.com).

Source: Ohio BWC e-news – August 2010, at [www.ohiobwc.com](http://www.ohiobwc.com)

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### CIGNA Precertification Update

CIGNA continually reviews its precertification process and requirements to help support access to quality care for plan participants. The list of services that require precertification will be updated to remove 26 codes and add seven codes, effective September 15, 2010.

Codes that will no longer require precertification: 20986, 20987, 53853, 61796, 61797, 61798, 61799, 61800, 67912, 67921, 67922, 90779, 93760, 96904, 0096T, C9003, C9237, E2101, J0850, J7341, J7343, J7344, Q4096, Q4097, S1030, S1031.

Additional codes that will require precertification: 33975, 55970, 55980, 56620, 92971, G0166, K0606.

Log into [www.cignaforhcp.com](http://www.cignaforhcp.com) and look for Precertification under 'Popular Links' to view the list of services requiring precertification of coverage. If you are not currently registered for the CIGNA for Healthcare Professionals website, you will need to complete the registration process to log in.

Source: Network News, July 2010 at [www.cigna.com](http://www.cigna.com)

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## CareSource Advantage – Important Reminder

As of January 1, 2008, CareSource began offering a Medicare Advantage special needs health care plan, CareSource Advantage. CareSource Advantage is available to those eligible for Medicare Part A and Part B, as well as Medicaid. As a person dually eligible under Medicare and Medicaid, CareSource members should present their CareSource Advantage ID card and their Medicaid Fee-For-Service ID card each time they visit their provider.

### How to Bill for CareSource Advantage:

- Bill CareSource for the Medicare portion of your CareSource Advantage patients' services.
- CareSource is the primary payer for CareSource Advantage members.
- Medicaid Fee-For-Service is the secondary payer.
- After you receive payment from CareSource, if the service is eligible for any additional payment through Medicaid, you must bill Medicaid Fee-For-Service for the unpaid balance.

CareSource accepts both paper and electronic claims, which must be submitted within 180 days of the date of

service. Please send all Medicare paper claim forms to:

**CareSource**  
**Attention: Claims Dept.**  
**P.O. Box 8730**  
**Dayton, OH 45401-8730**

Please remember that our contract with providers requires that in no event, including but not limited to nonpayment by Plan, insolvency of Plan, or breach of the agreement, shall provider bill, charge, collect a deposit from, seek remuneration or reimbursement from, or have any recourse against a Medicare Advantage member for health care services provided pursuant to the Agreement.

However, providers are allowed to collect co-insurance or co-payment amounts as specifically provided in the evidence of coverage, or fees for uncovered health care services delivered on a Fee-For-Service basis. Please refer to your agreement with CareSource for specifics regarding this contract provision.

Source: Provider Source, Summer 2010 at [www.caresource.com](http://www.caresource.com)



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## CMS Announces National Provider Conference Call on ICD-10 Implementation

**Date:** Monday, September 13, 2010, 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. EST.

**Target Audience:** Medical coders, physician office staff, provider billing staff, health records staff, vendors, educators, system maintainers and all Medicare fee-for-services providers.

**Registration information will be announced soon.**

## Anthem Bundled Services Reimbursement

### Certain bundled services are ineligible for separate reimbursement.

Anthem's Bundled Services and Supplies Policy states that some services and supplies are always considered part of providing another service and are not eligible for separate reimbursement when reported by a professional provider. These bundled services may have been performed or provided either on the same or different date of service as the primary service. (Note: Reporting codes such as G8007-G8484, G8545, G8628, and G9050 – G9140; and all CPT codes for performance measurement ending in F, are today, and will continue to be, considered bundled services and not separately reimbursed.

Exceptions may apply to Senior Advantage products when applicable.)

The following services will be added to Anthem's Bundled Services and Supplies policy, effective December 1, 2010:

Code	Code	Code	Code
90885	99367	G9005	G9033
90887	99368	G9006	G9034
90889	99441	G9007	G9035
95955	99442	G9008	G9036
98966	99443	G9009	G9041
98967	A4770	G9010	G9042
98968	G0175	G9011	G9043
99090	G0179	G9012	G9044
99091	G0180	G9013	Q0092
99339	G0181	G9014	S0220
99340	G0182	G9016	S0221
99356	G9001	G9017	S0302
99357	G9002	G9018	S3628
99360	G9003	G9019	S8055
99366	G9004	G9020	S9088

This is not an all-inclusive list. Please refer to our Bundled Service Professional Reimbursement Policy, available online via our secure provider portal at Anthem.com, as a guide.

Source: Network Update, August 2010, at [www.anthem.com](http://www.anthem.com)



## Where are the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Files?

With all of the changes in the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) this year, you may have questions about how to locate the correct files. Here are some tips that will help:

On the left side of the Palmetto GBA Ohio and West Virginia home pages, select 'Fee Schedules' from the Top Links box, or use these shortcuts:

- [www.PalmettoGBA.com/boh/fees](http://www.PalmettoGBA.com/boh/fees)
- [www.PalmettoGBA.com/bwv/fees](http://www.PalmettoGBA.com/bwv/fees).

Once you are on the fee

schedule page for your state, click the drop-down box to select 'Medicare Physician Fee Schedule' to narrow the list of selections.

There is one MPFS file for dates of service January 1 – May 31, 2010.

There is another MPFS file for dates of service June 1 – November 30, 2010.

You can also view fee schedule information at <http://www.com.gov/pfslookup/>

There are several updates to

the MPFS file, effective dates of service on or after July 1, 2010 (Note: quarterly updates to the MPFS file are routine, and it is likely that there will be another update file effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2010.)

There will be an additional MPFS file effective for dates of service December 1 - 31, 2010. The contents of this file may be dependent upon future actions by Congress.

Source: Ohio Part B Carrier / Browse by Topic at [www.palmettogba.com](http://www.palmettogba.com)