

Notice of MaineCare Reimbursement Methodology Change

AGENCY: Department of Health and Human Services, Office of MaineCare Services

AFFECTED SERVICES: Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 68, Occupational Therapy Services and Section 85, Physical Therapy Services.

NATURE OF PROPOSED CHANGES: Effective January 1, 2017, the Current Procedural Terminology coding manual Occupational Therapy codes 97003 and 97004 are being eliminated and replaced with codes 97165, 97166, 97167, and 97168. The new Occupational Therapy codes and rates are:

97165, Occupational Therapy evaluation: low complexity, per evaluation, \$52.83

97166, Occupational Therapy evaluation: moderate complexity, per evaluation, \$52.83

97167, Occupational Therapy evaluation: high complexity, per evaluation, \$52.83

97168, Re-evaluation of Occupational Therapy established plan of care, per session, \$34.85

Effective January 1, 2017, the Current Procedural Terminology Physical Therapy coding manual codes 97001, 97002, are being eliminated and replaced with codes 97161, 97162, 97163, and 97164. The new Physical Therapy codes and rates are:

97161, Physical Therapy evaluation: low complexity, per evaluation, \$54.45

97162, Physical Therapy evaluation: moderate complexity, per evaluation, \$54.45

97163, Physical Therapy evaluation: high complexity, per evaluation, \$54.45

97164, Re-evaluation of Physical Therapy established plan of care, per session, \$36.87

REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGES: This change is due to changes in the 2017 Current Procedural Terminology manual.

ESTIMATE OF ANY EXPECTED INCREASE OR DECREASE IN ANNUAL AGGREGATE EXPENDITURES: The Department anticipates that this change will cost approximately \$216,418 in FFY 2017, which includes \$77,088 in state dollars and \$139,330 in federal dollars, and \$288,557 in FFY 2018, which includes \$102,899 in state dollars and \$185,658 in federal dollars.

ACCESS TO PROPOSED CHANGES AND COMMENTS TO PROPOSED CHANGES: The public may review the proposed methodology changes and written comments at any Maine DHHS office in every Maine county. To find out where the Maine DHHS offices are located, call 1-800-452-1926. The Department will hold a hearing for the proposed rulemaking and will be publishing a notice which includes information on the hearing date and location.

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See <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms/rules/index.shtml> for rules and related rulemaking documents.