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Update on Medicaid Primary Care Provider Rate Increase

Below is the information that has been provided to the Georgia AAP by the Department of Community Health (DCH) regarding increased reimbursements for selected codes for Medicaid physician practice payment passed by the General Assembly for State Fiscal Year 2016. These rates are based on the same as those that were received under the Affordable Care Act in 2013 and 2014. Highlights include:

- Effective July 1, 2015
- Intent to extend the increase to those physicians and physician extenders who successfully attested to receive the ACA PCP increase between 1/1/2013 through 12/31/2014.
- Applies to both FFS and CMO.
- Does not apply to PeachCare members.
- FQHC, RHC, public health departments and nursing homes do not get the increase.
- Practitioners participating in the Physician UPL Program do not get the increase.
- Basically replicates the ACA PCP Program participation criteria.
- TBD: how to account for new physicians to the state who began practice after 1-1-15 and could not attest.

The Chapter will be working with DCH officials to work out the final details and ensure timely implementation of increased payments for these codes. (House Bill 76 refers to the FY 2016 budget appropriations.)

PCP Rate Increase for FY 2016 - Based on Selected Codes in HB 76						
CPT CODE	Physician Rate				Extender Rate	
	Curren	t Medicaid	Ne	w - 90% of CY14 Medicare	90% of New Physician Rate*	
99213	\$	40.70	\$	63.14	\$	56.82
99391	\$	67.38	\$	86.47	\$	86.47
99392	\$	67.38	\$	92.46	\$	92.46
99393	\$	75.38	\$	92.17	\$	92.17
99394	\$	75.38	\$	101.03	\$	101.03
99395	\$	75.38	\$	103.24	\$	103.24

^{*} Accept for HealthChecks.

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We hope to see you next Friday at our Georgia Pediatric Nurses and Practice Managers Meeting! For more information please visit www.gaaap.org and register online today.