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**TO: Psychiatrists, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Psychologists,
 Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Marital and Family
 Therapists, Licensed Professional Counselors, and Licensed Alcohol
 and Drug Counselors**

SUBJECT: Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership Increased Rates and Fees

The purpose of this policy transmittal is to inform Independent Practitioners the rates and fees under the Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership (CT BHP) have been increased by 1% retroactive for dates of services on or after July 1, 2006. Selected codes and fees have been increased more than 1% retroactive for dates of services on or after July 1, 2006 as noted in the table below:

CT BHP Independent Practitioner Fee Increase Change Summary		
Code	Description	M.D. July 1, 2006 Fee
M006 4	Brief office visit to monitor drug prescriptions	\$ 29.00
90801	Psychiatric diagnostic interview examination	\$ 130.00
90802	Interactive psychiatric diagnostic interview exam	\$ 130.00
90805	Individual Psychotherapy-Office or other Outpatient (20-30 min) with medical evaluation and management services	\$ 65.00
90807	Individual Psychotherapy-Office or other Outpatient (45-50 min) with medical evaluation and management services	\$ 92.00
90862	Pharmacological management, including prescription, use, and review of medication w/no more than minimal medical psychotherapy	\$ 52.00
99241	Office consultation for a new or established patient, approximately 15 minutes	\$ 48.14
99242	Office consultation for a new or established patient, approximately 30 minutes	\$ 88.04

99243	Office consultation for a new or established patient, approximately 40 minutes	\$ 120.40
99244	Office consultation for a new or established patient, approximately 60 minutes	\$ 175.88
99245	Office consultation for a new or established patient, approximately 80 minutes	\$ 218.01
T1016	Case Management - Coordination of health care services - each 15 min	\$ 15.00

In addition, fees for services rendered by nurse practitioners and psychologists have been increased to pay at 90% of the physician's fee schedule, effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2006. Rates for services rendered by master's level clinicians have been increased to pay at 75% of the physician's fee schedule, also effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2006.

Fee schedules

The CT BHP fee schedule posted to the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Web site will not be changed to reflect these adjustments at this time. However, this transmittal will be posted to the Web site under "Behavioral Health Partnership Fee Schedule", "Updates", next to the 01/01/2006 fee schedule for your continued reference.

Providers can obtain further information regarding CT BHP covered services, fees, and authorization by going to the CT Behavioral Health Web site: www.ctbhp.com. From this web page go to "For Providers," then to "Covered Services/Fees" or "Authorization Schedule."

Modifiers

The following providers must bill using modifiers in accordance with the following table:

Provider type/specialty	Modifier
Advanced Practice Registered Nurses	SA
License Clinical Social Workers	AJ
Licensed Marital and Family Therapists	HO
Licensed Professional Counselors	HO
Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors	HO

Retroactive Payment

Payment for any services that have been affected by this rate increase will be adjusted accordingly during the next EDS mass adjustment cycle. The mass adjustment cycle will only adjust claims in which the billed amount is greater than or equal to the applicable updated fee.

Billing Questions

For questions about billing or if further assistance is needed to access the fee schedules on the EDS Web site, contact the EDS Provider Assistance Center, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at:

In state toll free.....800-842-8440 or

Out of state or in the local New Britain, CT area....860-409-4500

Posting Instructions: Policy transmittals and fee schedules can also be downloaded from EDS Web site at www.ctmedicalprogram.com.

Distribution: This policy transmittal is being distributed to holders of the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program Provider Manual by Electronic Data Systems.

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