



**TO: Physician, Physician Assistants, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) and Medical Clinics**

**RE: Billing Guidance for Developmental and Behavior Health Screens in Primary Care**

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The purpose of this bulletin is to provide additional guidance concerning CPT code 96110 (developmental screening, with interpretation and report, per standardized instrument form). This PB (Provider Bulletin), is a companion to PB 2014-43, “Developmental and Behavioral Health Screens in Primary Care-Requirement of Modifiers”, which was published July, 2014.

As outlined in PB 2014-43, effective for dates of service August 1, 2014 and forward, modifiers U3 and U4 are required when a physician, physician group, APRN, APRN group, medical clinic or a physician assistant (excluding psychiatrist and psychiatrist APRNs) submits a claim with CPT code 96110 for HUSKY clients who are under the age of eighteen (18). Please refer to PB 2014-43 for more details regarding the modifier requirement.

Please note CPT code 96110 is set to reimburse up to 3 units in order to allow providers to bill appropriately based on the screen administered and the result obtained. Modifier U3 should be used when a developmental or behavioral health (BH) screen scores positive, while modifier U4 should be used when a developmental or BH screen scores negative. If necessary, providers may submit a claim for a positive or negative developmental or BH screens on multiple detail lines or combine all the units onto one detail line on the claim.

For example, if an APRN performs a developmental screen, which scores positive, and an autism screen, which scores negative, on the same date of service, the results should be billed on separate detail lines with the applicable U3 and U4 modifier appended. If multiple screens are administered and the screens all score the same result (all are positive or all are negative), the units for CPT code 96110 and modifier results can be rolled up onto one detail line.

If you have any questions concerning claim submission, please contact the HP Provider Assistance Center at 1-800-842-8440.

