



WEEKLY UPDATE - MARCH 7, 2008

***ACTION NEEDED:***

***NEW SERVICE CODE***

CPT Codes have been added to the system to allow billing for IPDEI, IPDEF, EIGF, EIIF, VISN, HERN, and SHIN services performed by the following categories of ES professionals that cannot bill Medicaid, according to the occupation code in the provider's record in our data system. MED payer cannot be used with these new Service-CPT Codes. The following codes are available for immediate use.

- 4A - Certified Behavior Analyst
- 4B - Hearing Specialist
- 4D - Special Instruction Consultant
- 4E - Vision Specialist
- 4G - Certified Associate Behavior Analyst
- 6A - Local Education Agency Provider
- LSP - Local Service Provider (allowed only until 06/30/08)

***Medicaid TCM Changes***

Please send any implementation questions related to the Medicaid Targeted Case Management (TCM) regulations to [wilma\\_jackson@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:wilma_jackson@doh.state.fl.us) no later than close of business on Tuesday, March 11. Questions have been requested from AHCA staff. AHCA will have a technical assistance call with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and CMS has asked for a list of questions. We want to be sure your concerns are well represented.

***Information / Resources:***

***Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR Update)***

The state PASRR workgroup has determined that Florida no longer requires a PASRR screening for children under the age of three. Children's Medical Services, Children's Multidisciplinary Assessment Team (CMAT) staff are aware that PASRR screening is no longer required for children under age three, so LES should not receive PASRR referrals from CMAT. Although Early Steps is no longer required to meet the PASRR requirements, all of the requirements in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part

C and Early Steps state policy still apply for children needing or residing in nursing facilities. For more information, see the policy clarification memo at the link below [http://www.cms-kids.com/EarlySteps/documents/PASRR\\_Notice030508.pdf](http://www.cms-kids.com/EarlySteps/documents/PASRR_Notice030508.pdf).

### *Come Children, Sing! Online Music Classes for Infants, Babies and Toddlers*

The Come Children Sing Institute is offering free gift certificates for Come Children, Sing! Online Music Classes for infants, babies and toddlers with special needs. The \$35 gift certificate will provide one 10-week Online Music Class. Request a free gift certificate for your child by sending an email to [mepinzino@comechildrensing.com](mailto:mepinzino@comechildrensing.com). Mention this email and that you have a child with special needs. Your gift certificate will be sent via email and you can start the Online Music Class at any time. For further information and to view free sample lessons of Come Children, Sing! Online Music Classes for infants, babies and toddlers, go to [www.comechildrensing.com](http://www.comechildrensing.com).

### *NECTAC NEWS*

Current issues of NECTAC eNotes can be viewed at <http://www.nectac.org/enotes/enotes.asp>.

### *Upcoming Training Opportunities & Conferences*

#### *National Professional Development Center on Autism Spectrum Disorders*

States are invited to participate in a new professional development opportunity offered by the National Professional Development Center on Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs. The mission of the Center is to provide resources, professional development, and technical assistance that will increase the number of highly qualified personnel serving children and youth with ASD. Please visit <http://www.fpg.unc.edu/~autismPDC/> for application information. Deadline to apply is June 1, 2008.

#### *March 18th from 2-4 pm Public Health Social Work in Florida*

This presentation presented by Susan Potts, LCSW will review the functions and rolls of Public Health Social Workers within public and community based programs. It will provide an overview of how Public Health Social Workers can further integrate into maternal and child health programs and enhance the services being offered in our clinics. The Power Point for this presentation will be available at the following site on March 11th. <http://www.doh.state.fl.us/family/mch/training/training.html>. You can access The Infant Maternal and Reproductive Health Training conference call by calling 1-888-808-6959 at 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET. Please use Conference Code is 2452962.