

Network Notification

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To: Ohio Providers

From: CareSource

Subject: Professional Developmental Testing Services Billing & Reimbursement Policy

Effective April 1, 2010, CareSource adopted the American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations for all physicians billing the Developmental Screening/Testing codes, 96110 and 96111.

Developmental screening instruments, when properly administered and utilized, are a valuable tool when additional objective evaluation and monitoring is needed. CPT Codes 96110 and 96111 should be billed in these situations. These codes should be reported only if used in the context of a preventive or acute care visit and a maximum of one unit should be billed associated with Modifier 25 applied to the Evaluation & Management charge.

Reporting and billing multiple units is inappropriate, even if multiple self reported forms are reviewed on the same date of service.

CareSource adopted Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5101:3-4-17 effective March 31, 2009. In accordance to this Rule, CPT Codes 96110 and 96111 are considered technical services and are reimbursable to physicians only if the services are provided in a non-hospital setting. This includes the following place of service codes: 11, 50, 71 and 72. If a claim is submitted for services performed in place of service 21, 22, or 23, the service(s) will be denied.

CareSource reserves the right to conduct post-payment audits on the usage of the Developmental Testing tool.

This policy is effective April 1, 2010.

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