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TO: All Kentucky Medicaid Providers
FROM: Justin Dearing, Acting Director
Division of Healthcare Policy
THROUGH: Lisa D. Lee, Commissioner
DATE: February 1, 2023
RE: 2023 Changes to Coding Guidelines (PL #A-110)

The Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) is aware of the American Medical Association's changes to the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes effective January 1, 2023. The changes, adopted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), include the deletion of the following:

- Hospital Observation Services E/M codes 99217-99220
- Consultations E/M codes 99241 and 99251
- Nursing Facility Services E/M code 99318
- Domiciliary, Rest Home (eg, Boarding Home), or Custodial Care Services E/M codes 99324-99328, 99334-99337, 99339, 99340
- Home or Residence Services E/M code 99343
- Prolonged Services E/M codes 99354-99357

We recognize these changes affect Medicaid billing. Providers are required to follow correct coding guidelines including those for the deleted prolonged codes. DMS and the managed care organizations are updating the fee schedules and system to be in compliance with these changes. Additional information may be found at the links below.

<https://www.ama-assn.org/system/files/2023-e-m-descriptors-guidelines.pdf>

<https://med.uth.edu/mshbc/home/2023-inpatient-e-m-changes/cms-fy-2023-final-rule-changes/>

DMS does not provide coding guidance and recommends providers consult a certified professional coder to address questions on the how the changes affect their practice.

If there are questions about the implementation, please direct those to
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