



Non –coverage of immunization Codes for AHCCCS Medicaid enrollees.

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Dear Phoenix Health Plan (PHP) Providers,

Phoenix Health Plan (PHP) would like to clarify the coverage status of two new CPT-4 codes related to vaccine administration and Arizona Healthcare Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) Medicaid coverage.

The following clarifications were issued to all AHCCCS Health Plans:

AHCCCS has evaluated the information regarding the use of:

90460 [Immunization administration through 18 years of age via any route of administration, with counseling by physician or other qualified health care professional; first vaccine/toxoid component] and **90461** [Each additional vaccine/toxoid component (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)] and determined that both codes **will not be** allowed for Medicaid members through the VFC program. AHCCCS will continue to require the use of the specific toxoid code with the SL modifier. This allows payment for the vaccine administration using the existing processes.

Both 90460 and 90461 have an assigned AHCCCS coverage code of '04' (not covered) effective January 1, 2011.

Additionally AHCCCS has issued further clarification related to H1N1 vaccines and administration:

AHCCCS has also reviewed the information for **90470** [H1N1 immunization administration (intramuscular, intranasal), including counseling when performed] and concluded that 90470 will not be allowed. The H1N1 vaccine was a component of the 2010 influenza vaccine.

In addition, **90663** [Influenza virus vaccine, pandemic formulation H1N1] is no longer valid for reporting according to the AMA.

Effective October 1, 2010, 90663 and 90470 are assigned AHCCCS coverage code of '04' (not covered).

If you have any questions about these AHCCCS changes, please contact your provider representative directly or the department number shown below.

THANK YOU

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