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**Distribution:** Practitioners, Outpatient Hospitals, Local Health Departments (LHDs), Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)

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**Subject:** Diabetes Self-Management Education Policy Changes

**Effective:** October 1, 2016

**Programs Affected:** Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS)

**NOTE: Implementation of this policy is contingent upon approval of a State Plan Amendment by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).**

### **Beneficiaries Eligible for Coverage**

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) covers Diabetes Self-Management Education (DSME) services for a beneficiary who has been diagnosed with diabetes. DSME is intended to educate beneficiaries in the successful self-management of their diabetes. The beneficiary must have an eligible diabetes diagnosis supported by the appropriate medically necessary documentation.

### **Policy Changes**

Effective October 1, 2016, the following DSME coverage changes apply:

- A DSME outpatient service must be provided by a program that meets one of the following requirements:
  - Certified as a DSME program by MDHHS; or
  - American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) accreditation by the Diabetes Education Accreditation Program (DEAP); or
  - American Diabetes Association (ADA) recognition requirements by the Education Recognition Program (ERP).
- DSME must be furnished by an enrolled outpatient hospital or LHD with the appropriate DSME program requirements on file with and approved by Provider Enrollment, provided by diabetes educators, and ordered by a physician or non-physician medical practitioner responsible for the beneficiary's diabetic care.

- DSME services may not be rendered to eligible beneficiaries or billed for payment until the appropriate certification is on file and approved.
- There are no changes to the MDHHS DSME certification program process.
- ADA recognized, AADE accredited and MDHHS certified DSME programs are expected to submit the MDHHS annual statistical data report following the reporting requirements located on the DSME Certification Program webpage. This information is used for statewide reporting of statistical information to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The Statistical Reports Policy and Statistical Report information (i.e., form) is available at: [www.michigan.gov/mdhhs](http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs) >> Keeping Michigan Healthy >> Chronic Diseases >> Diabetes >> Diabetes Self-Management Education Certification Program.

### **Documentation Requirements**

The physician or qualified medical non-physician practitioner treating the beneficiary's diabetes must maintain a documented diabetes diagnosis in the medical record for initial and follow-up education and training. They must also document any special needs supported by medical necessity.

### **Services Not Covered**

Medical Nutrition Therapy (MNT) is not a separately covered or reimbursed DSME Medicaid covered service.

### **Billing and Reimbursement – Outpatient Hospital and LHD**

Billing and reimbursement for DSME services using Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes G0108 and G0109 may only be made to currently ADA-recognized, AADE-accredited or MDHHS-certified providers.

There are no changes to the current DSME services and limits for HCPCS codes G0108 and G0109.

### **Copay, Coinsurance and Deductible**

DSME provided by an outpatient hospital may be subject to the outpatient hospital copay requirements when no other service was provided on the same date of service.

HCPCS codes G0108 and G0109 are subject to the other insurance co-insurance and deductible policies found in the Coordination of Benefits chapter of the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual. The manual may be found at [www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders](http://www.michigan.gov/medicaidproviders) >> Policy and Forms.

## Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information is incorporated into the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

## Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Health and Human Services, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mail at [ProviderSupport@michigan.gov](mailto:ProviderSupport@michigan.gov). When you submit an e-mail be sure to include your name, affiliation, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

## Approved

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