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Subject: Physician Assistant Orders for Physical Therapy

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Programs Affected: Medicaid

Public Act No. 281 of 2005 allows a physician assistant to order physical therapy.

Effective January 1, 2007, Medicaid will allow physician assistants to order physical therapy, other than serial casting, for Medicaid beneficiaries. Medicaid will continue to require a physician signature on the treatment plan after it is prepared by the physical therapy provider. Serial casting will continue to require either a physician referral or written concurrence of a treatment plan that includes the serial casting.

Manual Maintenance

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

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mail at 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.

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