Portable X-ray and Ultrasound Providers

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Sec. 1803. The department shall establish a Medicaid provider type for the enrollment of providers of portable X-ray and ultrasound services to nursing home and homebound beneficiaries as "portable X-ray and ultrasound providers" under the "Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Current-Typical Provider Type Enrollment Grid", using provider language substantially similar to Medicare requirements. The department shall treat this service as a covered service. By December 1 of the current fiscal year, the department shall report to the senate and house subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies, the senate and house policy offices, and the state budget office, on the information required in this section.



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The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) met with providers and representatives of portable x-ray and ultrasound services to discuss the provider's request to add a Medicaid provider type for the enrollment of portable X-Ray Suppliers (PXRS) and Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities (IDTF). DHHS is supportive of this change as it is consistent with Medicare policy.

As a result, an implementation plan is being developed and a process identified for enrollment of this provider type in the DHHS' Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS). The projected implementation date for policy and systems changes for enrollment of PXRS and IDTF providers is April 2019.

Steps identified to establish Medicaid enrollment (similar to Medicare) for PXRS and IDTFs include:

- Investigate if the addition of the provider types and payment for the services will require an amendment to Michigan's Medicaid State Plan.
- Develop and promulgate policy for the Medicaid Provider Manual to allow for the enrollment and reimbursement of services for these provider types.
- Reinforce information contained in bulletin MSA 18-01 regarding coverage of the transportation and setup of portable X-ray equipment with Medicaid providers, especially nursing facilities.
- Complete required CHAMPS system changes to accommodate the new provider enrollment types using existing funding.

DHHS is currently in the process of developing a policy regarding the enrollment of the PXRS and IDTF providers for Medicaid. The affected providers have requested to continue holding monthly meetings with DHHS to monitor the progress of the plan.