



Bulletin

Michigan Department of Community Health

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Subject: Removal of Prior Approval for Specified Vision Services/Hardware Items
Revised Address and Fax Number for Ordering DCH-0893 Form
Revised Address for Submission of the DCH-0893 Form
Future Billing Process

Effective: As Indicated

Programs Affected: Medicaid, Children's Special Health Care Services

This bulletin transmits revised prior approval requirements for certain vision services and hardware items, revised address and fax number for ordering the Vision Services Approval/Order (form DCH-0893), revised address for submission of the DCH-0893, and advises providers of upcoming billing changes for beneficiaries in the fee-for-service system.

Removal of Prior Approval for Specified Services/Hardware Items

Effective for dates of service on and after March 1, 2001, prior approval is removed from the following procedure codes. **NOTE:** If the frequency for these codes is exceeded, the provider will be required to obtain prior approval, giving a detailed explanation of the circumstances.

<u>Services</u>	<u>Hardware</u>	<u>Hardware (Cont'd)</u>
41170*	41149**	41221
41175	41151	41240
41180	41152	41241
	41154	41242
	41155	41244
	41220	41284
		41285

When billing for dates of service prior to March 1, 2001, Item 79 on the Special Services Invoice (MSA-1653) must reflect the appropriate prior approval number.

* Prior approval is removed for ALL beneficiaries regardless of age (i.e., diagnosis restrictions are also removed).

**Manufacturer's invoice or a copy of the contract price list must accompany the claim.

NOTE: For beneficiaries enrolled in a qualified health plan (QHP) or a Children's Special Health Care Services special health plan (SHP), the provider must contact the appropriate plan to determine if these items/services require prior approval.

DCH-0893 Form

The area that distributes the Vision Services Approval/Order (form DCH-0893) has a new address and fax number, which providers should begin using immediately. If you wish to order by mail, please send a letter detailing the form name, number, quantity desired, and shipping address to:

BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES/ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION
FORMS MANAGEMENT SECTION/CASS BUILDING 1 SOUTH
320 SOUTH WALNUT
LANSING MI 48913

Orders may be faxed to (517) 241-4719.

When requesting prior approval, the DCH-0893 forms must be sent to:

ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL AND APPEALS DIVISION
PROGRAM INVESTIGATION SECTION
6th FLOOR CAPITOL COMMONS CENTER
P.O. BOX 30479
LANSING MI 48909-7979

Future Billing Procedures

The MSA is working toward implementing a billing process that more closely resembles the one used by Medicare and the insurance industry. The anticipated implementation date is August 1, 2001. Upon implementation, you will be required to use the:

- HCFA-1500 for billing. The paper version (12-90) will be accepted and processed. However, providers are encouraged to bill electronically using the National Electronic Data Interchange Transaction Set Health Care Claim: Professional 837 (ASC X12N 837, version 3051) to speed up claims processing and reimbursement.
- Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) procedure codes and modifiers.
- Health Care Financing Administration Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) procedure codes and modifiers.
- International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM) diagnosis codes.

If you do not possess these billing items, you may want to purchase them prior to the billing change and become familiar with them.

Manual Update

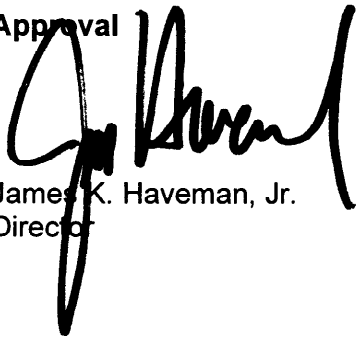
Please make the appropriate notations in Appendix F of your Vision Manual relative to the removal of prior approval for the procedure codes presented in this bulletin.

Retain this bulletin for future reference.

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to: Provider Inquiry, Medical Services Administration, P.O. Box 30479, Lansing, Michigan 48909-7979. Providers may phone toll free 1-800-292-2550 or e-mail ProviderSupport@state.mi.us.

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