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**Subject:** Inpatient Hospital Claim Requirements for Newborns

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**Programs Affected:** Medicaid

Effective for discharges on or after October 1, 2014, the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) will require fee-for-service and managed care plan providers to adhere to National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) guidelines for reporting newborn priority (type of) admission or visit, newborn birth weight, and cesarean sections/inductions related to gestational age on all inpatient hospital claims. Initial claim editing will result in informational editing only. At a future date to be determined, claims that fail the newborn reporting edits may be denied.

### **Reporting Newborn Priority (Type of) Admission or Visit**

Providers are required to report the appropriate priority (type) of admission or visit in accordance with NUBC guidelines. For instance, a newborn admission should be reported as type of admission of "4" (newborn). When billing with type of admission of "4," providers must report special point of origin code "5" (born inside this hospital) or "6" (born outside of this hospital).

### **Reporting Newborn Birth Weight**

NUBC value code "54" (newborn birth weight in grams) is required on all claims with type of admission of "4." Birth weight should be reported as a whole number. For example, if the birth weight is 2764.5 grams, then value code "54" amount should be reported as "2765."

### **Reporting Cesarean Sections or Inductions Related to Gestational Age**

Providers are expected to report the following NUBC condition codes for cesarean sections or inductions related to gestational age, as appropriate:

- Condition Code "81": C-sections or inductions performed at less than 39 weeks gestation for medical necessity.
- Condition Code "82": C-sections or inductions performed at less than 39 weeks gestation electively.
- Condition Code "83": C-sections or inductions performed at 39 weeks gestation or greater.

## 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](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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