



March 12, 2008

Dear Podiatry Provider,

Subject: E&M Claims Paid Within Surgery Follow-up Periods

EDS has identified a system error that resulted in the erroneous payment of Evaluation & Management claims within the follow-up periods of related surgeries. These claims should have been denied with Remittance Advice Details (RAD) code **0074: This service is included in the surgical fee.** This error was in place until late July 2007.

No action is required on your part. Affected claims which appeared on RADs since January 28, 2004 will appear as voids on RADs beginning April 3, 2008, with RAD code **936: Claim void due to related claim(s) previously reimbursed.**

This recovery is authorized under the provisions of *Welfare and Institutions Code* (W&I Code), Sections 14176 and 14177, and *California Code of Regulations* (CCR), Title 22, Section 51458.1(a)(1). In addition, the W&I Code sections authorize the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to enter into repayment agreements with providers or offset overpayments against amounts due. If your total warrant amount is not sufficient to offset the recovery, the negative balance will be converted to an accounts receivable transaction and subtracted from future Medi-Cal payments.

If you disagree with any of these voids, you may submit an appeal within 90 days of the RAD date. Please refer to the *Appeal Form Completion* section in a Part 2 Medi-Cal provider manual or on the Medi-Cal Web site ([www.medi-cal.ca.gov](http://www.medi-cal.ca.gov)) for instructions about how to submit an appeal.

If you have any questions regarding this adjustment, please call the Telephone Service Center (TSC) at 1-800-541-5555, option 11 then 18.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Nona Carpenter'.

Nona Carpenter  
Provider Relations Director

Reference Number: P6130

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