



MIS INFO-LINE

SUBJECT: HEALTHY FAMILIES SED CLAIMING

DIRECTED TO: All Providers

This is to provide current information regarding claiming in the MHMIS for Severely Emotionally Disabled (SED) clients enrolled in the Healthy Families (HF) Program. Claims for SED clients who are enrolled in Healthy Families will be entered in MHMIS and processed along with your SD/MC claims. Current activity codes/service functions will be used for claiming.

1. Retroactive SED Claims

The State Department of Health Services information system is now ready to accept Healthy Family claims from local county mental health departments. Services delivered in the prior fiscal year (retroactive to 12 calendar months) but not yet entered in the MIS may now be claimed in the MIS under existing outpatient reporting units. Providers must remember to add the valid late code "C" for late Healthy Families claims and the 14-digit identification number, **available only from MEDS**, in the EPI2 (Episode 2) screen. For Healthy Families, that number begins with the county code, (19) the aid code, (9H) and the ten digit Client Index Number (CIN). As with all funding sources that require MIS to use a claiming number other than the social security number (SSN), all nines (999-99-9999) must be entered in the SSN field on the Client Screen. Entering nines in the SSN forces the system to use the EPI2 screen for claiming.

2. Current Fiscal Year's Claim

Mental health service providers who service clients ages 1-19 will soon receive a MIS Provider File Change Notice **adding a new reporting unit to their provider file for Healthy Families SED episodes**. SED clients enrolled in Healthy Families should be admitted under these reporting units. Follow the same guideline under #1 above for claiming.

3. Authorization for Service – Outpatient Services

Healthy Families beneficiaries who are being assessed for, or are diagnosed as SED are the responsibility of the local mental health plan (LA County DMH). Prior authorization is not necessary for services to Healthy Families beneficiaries who are diagnosed as SED.

4. Authorization for Service – Inpatient Services

The Healthy Families Health Plan is responsible for thirty days of hospitalization and ancillary services. It is the responsibility of the acute facility to obtain authorization from the health plan for each hospital admission. The authorization number should be entered in the Patient File field on the Episode Screen. It should also be maintained in your hospital's internal tracking system.

5. HMO/PHP Field

The Department of Mental Health has Memorandums Of Understanding with the following list of insurance plans. The HMO/PHP field on the Client Screen has been modified to include these insurance plans. The code for the plan should be entered in the HMO/PHP field on the Client Screen. (Please refer to MIS InfoLine No. 138).

The applicable codes are to be used to identify the Healthy Families insurance plan. If the client does not know the HF plan name, you should call the telephone number provided on the POS to obtain the HF plan name for the beneficiary.

<u>Code</u>	<u>Insurance Plan</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>Insurance Plan</u>
A	LA Care	I	Foundation Health
B	Blue Cross of California-California Care	J	Friendly Hills
C	Care 1 st	K	Molina
D	Maxicare	L	Universal Health
E	Tower Health Plan	M	Blue Shield
F	United Health Plan	N	Health Net
G	Community Health Plan	O	United Health Care
H	Kaiser	Z	Not currently enrolled in a health plan

6. PATS for Medications

Prescriptions for all SED clients in outpatient services enrolled in the Healthy Families Program should be entered into the Department's PATS system.

A MIS Infoline for Healthy Families Basic Benefits is underway and will be distributed to all providers.