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TO: Eligible Non-Institutional Medicaid Providers
Chief Executive Officers, Managed Care Plans
Directors, County Departments of Job and Family Services
FROM: John B. McCarthy, Medicaid Director
SUBJECT: Revisions to Administrative Rules 5160-4-05 and 5160-4-19

As a result of the five-year review performed pursuant to sections 106.03 and 106.031 of the Ohio Revised Code, revisions are made to the following administrative rules.

Rule 5160-4-05, "Teaching physician services," sets forth provisions for coverage of and payment for services performed by residents and teaching physicians. This rule is rescinded and replaced with a new rule of the same number titled "Services rendered under the supervision of a teaching practitioner." The new rule is streamlined, clarified, and updated, and unnecessary provisions are removed. In particular, detailed requirements concerning the supervision of certain services are omitted; instead, in recognition of the fact that supervision is determined by practice standards, a statement is added that teaching practitioner must provide the level of supervision appropriate to a procedure or service.

Rule 5160-4-19, "Allergy services," sets forth coverage and payment provisions for allergy services. This rule is rescinded and replaced with a new rule of the same number and title. The new rule is extensively streamlined; policy provisions address groups of service by type rather than individual procedures by code, and claim-submission instructions are removed. A provision is removed that disallowed payment for both a professional allergy testing service and an evaluation and management service (i.e., an office visit), and a provision is removed that predicated coverage of certain in vitro blood tests on the infeasibility of performing a skin test.

These changes are effective for dates of service beginning April 1, 2016.

Additional Information

Information about the services and programs of the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) may be accessed through the main ODM web page, <http://www.medicaid.ohio.gov>.

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