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TO: All Workers' Compensation Stakeholders

FROM: Robert L. Swisher, Commissioner

DATE: January 26, 2021

RE: 2021 Documentation Guidelines for Evaluation and Management Services

The American Medical Association has published new documentation guidelines for physicians regarding codes for evaluation and management services. Documentation guidelines had been published in 1995 and 1997, and the Department of Workers' Claims permits physicians to use either version in billing under the 2020 Schedule of Fees for Physicians. Publication of the 2021 Guidelines has resulted in questions from stakeholders regarding which version should be applied. The Department takes the position that for evaluation and management services, the 2021 Guidelines should be used. For all other medical

services, physicians must continue to use either the 1995 or 1997 version of the documentation guidelines as appropriate.

Please direct all questions to Pamela Knight, Supervisor of Medical Services and Cost Containment, at pamela.knight@ky.gov.



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