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With the implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Standards for Transactions and Code Sets, use of the appropriate medical code sets is required on health care claims.

On February 1, 2009, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will begin accepting claims using the 2009 version of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) and the Health Care Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) medical code sets for dates of service on or after January 1, 2009. Providers should reference the appendix of the CPT and HCPCS books for a summary of the additions, deletions and revisions. For dates of service prior to January 1, 2009, claims must be billed with the 2008 version of CPT and HCPCS codes and modifiers.

For MHD coverage information, including fees and restrictions, please reference the MHD Fee Schedule at <http://dss.mo.gov/mhd/providers/pages/cptagree.htm>. Select the provider link; fee schedules; read through the License for Use of Physicians' Current Procedural Terminology and select accept; then follow the directions given on the MHD Price List Search. The fee schedule will be updated on February 2, 2009 when the system work is complete.

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**MO HealthNet Managed Care:** The information contained in this bulletin applies to coverage for:

- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- Services not included in MO HealthNet Managed Care

Questions regarding MO HealthNet Managed Care benefits should be directed to the patient's MO HealthNet Managed Care health plan. Before delivering a service, please check the patient's eligibility status by swiping the red MO HealthNet card or by calling the Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System at 573-635-8908 and using Option One for the red or white card.

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573-751-2896**