

## **PROVIDER BULLETIN**

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### **CREATION OF NEW ME CODES**

**Applies to: MO HealthNet for Kids, Show Me Healthy Babies - Newborns, and Foster Children - Adoption**

**Effective date: July 1, 2022**

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- **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (4M)**
  - **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (6S)**
  - **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (9S)**
  - **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (0F)**
  - **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (5A)**
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#### **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (4M)**

The new ME Code (4M) is for the ME 40 “MO HealthNet for Kids – Poverty” population that receives an enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) (ages 6 - 18, 110 - 153% Federal Poverty Level (FPL)). ME 4M will model ME 40 for eligibility and claims processing, and model ME 71 “MO HealthNet for Kids - 134-150% Poverty, Age 1-5” and ME 72 “MO HealthNet for Kids - 101-150% Poverty, Age 6-18” for financial coding.

#### **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (6S)**

The new ME Code (6S) is for the participants currently under ME 62 “MO HealthNet for Kids Health Initiative Fund (HIF)” that have a Financial Grant Indicator (FGI) of 8 and also receive an enhanced FMAP. ME 6S will model ME 62 for eligibility and claims processing, and model ME 97 “SMHB NB (SMHB Newborns)” for financial coding.

#### **CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (9S)**

The new ME Code (9S) is for the participants currently under ME 74 “Children ages 0 thru 18; family income 186-225%” and ME 75 “Children ages 0 thru 18; family income 226-300%,” that have a FGI of 8 and also receive an enhanced FMAP. ME 9S will model ME 97 for eligibility, claims processing, and financial coding.

**CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (0F)**

The new ME Code (0F) is for a subset of participants currently under ME 07 “Foster Care – Title IV-E” and ME 38 “Independent Foster Care Children ages 18-25.” ME 0F will model ME 08 “Child Welfare Services - Foster Care (State-Only Funded)” eligibility, claims processing, and financial coding. The start date of this ME Code will be backdated to 3/15/2022.

**CREATION OF NEW ME CODE (5A)**

The new ME Code (5A) is for a subset of participants currently under ME 56 “Adoption Subsidy - Title IV-E.” ME 5A will model ME 57 “Child Welfare Services – Foster Care Adoption Subsidy (State-Only Funded)” eligibility, claims processing, and financial coding. The start date of this ME Code will be backdated to 3/15/2022.

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- MO HealthNet Fee-for-Service
- MO HealthNet Managed Care

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