MEDICAL CODE TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUP (MCT)
Meeting Minutes – Thursday September 8, 2016

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Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Item
1. Welcome and Introductions, Attendance tracking: Deb Sorg deb.a.sorg@healthpartners.com**, Membership request and/or updates: Deb Sorg** deb.a.sorg@healthpartners.com	Faith convened meeting and took attendance. Reminded teleconference attendees to email Deb Sorg at deb.a.sorg@healthpartners.com. Any updates should be sent to Deb Sorg via email at deb.a.sorg@healthpartners.com	Closed
2. Review of Antitrust Statement	Faith read AUC anti-trust statement.	Closed
3. Review of last meeting's minutes – July 14, 2016	Minutes were reviewed and approved	Closed
4. Community Emergency Medical Technician Services – Shawnet Healy, DHS	Would like to confirm with Shawnet that recommendations are final and no changes are needed. Decision made to leave open and discuss next month.	OPEN
5. Protected Transport - DHS	SBAR was approved by both MCT via and email vote and AUC Ops.	Closed
6. Telemedicine – JoAnne Wolf, Children's Health Network	Questions raised regarding newly legislated benefits expanded so that now patients can be anywhere and services performed will be HIPAA compliant. How to report services? What HCPCS or CPT codes are to be used? DHS requires attestation for all of its state public programs. Will attestation be implemented by all commercial plans by January 1, 2017? It was agreed that guidance is needed. Researched place of service for telehealth (POS); and found there is nothing available that addresses telehealth services being provided at a patient's home. POS for telehealth being proposed by CMS addresses typical telemedicine not Skype type visits or e-visits. Issue to be resolved is billing for online video consult. Need to define visit type – e-visit or video. Issues regarding privacy of Skype/electronically provided services. Issues – need to see CMS policy, to include POS to determine how it fits under Minnesota's telemedicine policy. AUC, what is Medicare policy; do we want a state policy different from Medicare benefit. How does MN differ from Medicare? Should there be a different MN rule. Also consider AMA website The TAG decided to consider the national guidelines being proposed by CMS and the AMA and then determine Minnesota's position, i.e., to follow Medicare or to develop a Minnesota rule. MCT will also	OPEN – Pending info from CMS/AMA. SBAR may be needed.

		review AMA's website to determine what information available regarding telemedicine/telehealth and include in discussion. The TAG will meet after the national guidelines have been published on Thursday, December 1, 2016 from 9:30 am to 11:30 a.m. 2nd Floor, Cedar Room.	
7.	**Telehealth Place of Service (POS) – Barb Andreasen, Allina Health** – see SBAR	No action needed – presented as an FYI only. The SBAR has been delegated to the Claims DD TAG for consideration.	Closed
8.	**DHS and Companion Guide Maintenance – David Haugen, MDH**	This agenda item had been discussed previously by the MCT at its April 14th meeting. Due to the length of time to complete the 2015 annual maintenance of the 837P and 837I Minnesota Uniform Companion Guides, it was suggested that DHS programs be removed from the companion guide and replaced by a link to DHS website. The MCT maintains it position that DHS programs remain in the guide. Concerns were discussed and questions regarding the impact the removal of DHS programs would have on other payers. Options to consider if DHS programs were removed included the following: 1) If commercial plan and you plan on implementing some of DHS programs, you must follow coding on DHS MHCP provider manual at: http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/idcplg?IdcService=GET_DYNAMIC_CONVERSION&RevisionSelectionMethod=LatestReleased&dDocName=id_000094. 2) It was also suggested that the list of programs remain in the guide and that the coding for each program be removed from the guide. Other questions raised were: How can we make exception to one payer if it is the law? What happens when coding differs from CMS or CMS does not address it? MCT would like for Dave to present a mockup of the guide to demonstrate what he is proposing or what the guide would look like.	OPEN
9.	**Coding Recommendation Grid Update Criteria – Judy Edwards, MDH**	Judy asked the TAG how often should the coding recommendation grid be updated to include SBARs approved by the AUC Ops or should the grid be approved when the AUC Ops approve the MCT SBAR response(s).and should a second vote by the MCT be taken The TAG agreed that the Coding Recommendation Grid should be updated as SBAR recommendations are approved by Ops rather than being updated and presented to the MCT to approve. Since the new SBAR form has been revised to include the disposition status of the coding issue and the date the SBAR response was approved by Ops, the Grid should be updated without further delay.	Closed
10.	**Decision Tree Creation Reminder– Judy Edwards, MDH**	Judy reminded the MCT that members were asked to come up with their version of a decision tree to be reviewed by the TAG at a future meeting. To date, Faith has not received any proposed decision trees from anyone. Medical Code TAG members are requested to submit their version of a decision tree to Judy and Faith prior to the October meeting so they can be incorporated into one document. The next meeting is October 13; decision tree forms are due to Faith and Judy by end of day on Thursday,	OPEN

	October 6.	
11. Additional Agenda Items/ Announcements	• Carolyn reported that during a phone call~~n audit,~~ PreferredOne discovered that 99420, a Code for post-partum maternal health depression screenings was also being used to code pre-natal maternal health depression screenings. She stated there are both State mandate and ACA regulations these screenings can be performed pre-natal. • Next regularly scheduled meeting: October 13, 9:00-12:00, St. Croix Room – 1st floor, HealthPartners, 8170 Building, Bloomington. • The November will be canceled because of conflicts with the state and CPT coding symposiums. • An additional meeting will be scheduled due to proposed coding changes by AMA and CMS; CMS has proposed coding in their 2017 physician fee schedule interim rule for~~place of service for telehealth/telemedicine~~ December 1, 2016, 9:30 am–12:30 pm, Cedar conference room, at HealthPartners. • Reminder: *AUC UPDATE* newsletter coding article volunteers needed.	Closed