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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

The 2006 CPT Annual Update identifies the new 2006 coding changes made by the American Medical Association (AMA) Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) for physicians and qualified non-physician practitioners. There were 277 additions, 110 deletions and 71 revisions.

CHAPTER 1

1. Table of Contents. Section 2.2 deleted.
2. Section 2.2 (No Government Pay Codes). Deleted

CHAPTER 2

3. Section 4.1 (Nursing Facility Visits). Old 9000 series replaced with new 90000 series. New series 99304 - 99310, 99315, 99316 and 99318 includes skilled nursing visits, nursing home visits and long term care visits. Description also added. Paragraph III, "Policy" text edited.
4. Section 5.1 (Nursing Home Visits). Deleted.

CHAPTER 3

5. Section 1.1 (Anesthesia). 00100 - 0199, 99100, 99116, 99135, 99140 - 99142.
Deleted paragraph II.B. and CPT procedure codes 99141 and 99142 from the procedure code range as services for the deleted codes were added to Section 1.2. New CPT procedure code range is 00100 - 01999, 99100, 99116, 9915, 99140.
6. Section 1.2 (Moderate (Conscious) Sedation). 99143 - 99145, 99148 - 99150.
This is a new section that was added in 2006 CPT. However, it is not a new benefit.

CHAPTER 4

7. Section 8.1 (Respiratory System). 30000 - 32488, 32491, 32500 - 32999, 96570, 96571.
No change. New CPT procedure codes 32503 and 32504 are within procedure code range.

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CHAPTER 4 (Continued)

8. Section 13.1 (Digestive System). 40490 - 40831, 40899 - 43842, 43846 - 47362, 47371, 47379, 47381, 47399 - 49999, 91123, 96570, 96571.

New CPT procedure codes 44180, 44186 - 44188, 44227, 45395, 45397, 45400, 45402, 45499, 45990, 46710, 46712 were within procedure code range. New CPT procedure codes 43770 - 43774, 43886 - 43888 removed from procedure code range and placed in Surgery for Morbid Obesity, Section 13.2. "For bariatric procedures see Chapter 4, Section 13.2" was added to exclusions. New CPT procedure code range is 40490 - 40831, 40899 - 43644, 43651 - 43761, 43800, 42810, 43820, 43842, 43846, 43848, 43880, 43999, 44005- 47362, 47371, 47379, 47381, 47399 - 49999, 91123, 96570, 96571.

9. Section 17.1 (Female Genital System). 11975 - 11977, 55980, 56405 - 58301, 58340, 58345, 58346, 58350, 58353, 58356, 58400 - 58671, 58679, 58700 - 58740, 58800 - 58960, 58999, 59001.

No change. New CPT procedure codes 57295 and 58110 are within procedure code range.

CHAPTER 5

10. Section 3.1 (Radiation Oncology). 61793, 61795, 77261 - 77799.

New CPT procedure code 77421 added to procedure code range. New CPT procedure codes 77422 and 77423 are unproven were added to Exclusions. New procedure code range is 61793, 61795, 77261 - 77421, 77427 - 77799.

CHAPTER 7

11. Section 2.8 (Hydration, Therapeutic, Prophylactic, And Diagnostic Injections And Infusions (Excludes Chemotherapy)). 90760, 90761, 90765, 90767, 90768, 90772 - 90775, 90779.

This is a new section that was added in 2006 CPT. However, this is not a new benefit. The old 9000 series were replaced by a new CPT 9000 series. New CPT procedure codes 90760, 90761, 90765, 90767, 90768, 90772 - 90775, and 90779 were added to procedure code range. Description was also added to policy.

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12. Section 5.1 (Gastroenterology).

No change made. New CPT procedure code 91022 was within procedure code range.

13. Section 8.1 (Special Otorhinolaryngologic Services).

New CPT codes 92626, 92627, 92630, and 92633 were added to procedure code range. New procedure code range is 92502 - 92512, 92516, 92520, 92526, 92551 - 92597, 92601 - 92617, 92626, 92627, 92630, 92633, 92700.

14. Section 15.1 (Neurology And Neuromuscular Services). 95812 - 95999.

No change made. New CPT procedure codes 95865, 95866, 95873, and 95874 are within procedure code range.

15. 16.1 (Central Nervous System Assessments/Tests). 96105 - 96117.

New CPT procedure codes 96101 - 96103, 96116, and 96118 - 96120 were added to procedure code range. New CPT procedure code range is 96101 - 96103, 96105, 96110, 96111, 96116, 96118 - 96120.

16. 16.3 (Chemotherapy Administration). 96405 - 96549.

Added this section to the policy for Chemotherapy Administration (injections and intravenous infusion chemotherapy). This is not a new benefit. New CPT procedure codes 96401, 96402, 96409, 96411, 96413, 96415 - 96417, and 96521 - 96523 were added to CPT procedure code range. New CPT procedure code range is 96401, 96402, 96405, 96406, 96409, 96411, 96413, 96415 - 96417, 96420, 96422, 96423, 96425, 96440, 96445, 96450, 96521 - 96523, 96542, 96549.

17. 16.4 (Education And Training For Patient Self Management).

This is a new section that was added in the 2006 CPT. CPT procedure codes 98960 - 98962 are excluded by regulation. New CPT procedure codes 99051 and 99053 were added to the no government pay codes.

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18. Added index references for Chapter 3, Section 1.2, Chapter 7, Sections 2.8, 16.3, and 16.4. Deleted index references for Chapter 1, Section 2.2 and Chapter 2, Section 5.1.

