

PROVIDER Bulletin



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This Provider Bulletin applies to the lines of business and provider types checked below:

- PHP (Medicare)
 Primary Care Physicians
 Specialists
 PHC (Medicaid)
 Ancillary
 Hospitals

Help AHF Increase Rates for Glaucoma Screening and Eye Exams

The Health Effectiveness and Data Information Set (HEDIS) measures quality of care provided and uses the data to compare performance of participating health plans. AHF's 2013 Glaucoma Screening and Eye Exams for Comprehensive Diabetes Care scored below national benchmarks. We need your help!

Glaucoma Screening Rates ¹			Eye Exams for Comprehensive Diabetes Care Rates ²		
Plan	AHF Rate	Percentile	Plan	AHF Rate	Percentile
PHP – Florida	68.3%	50%	PHP – Florida	40.7%	10%
			PHP – California	42.1%	10%
PHP – California	67.1%	50%	PHC – Florida	44.4%	10%
			PHC – California	49.2%	25%

¹ Glaucoma screening is defined as the percentage of members age 65 and older who received a glaucoma eye exam by an eye care professional for early identification of glaucomatous conditions. Rates through September 2013.

² Eye Exams are defined as a screening for diabetic retinal disease. Rates through September 2013.

To improve AHF's HEDIS rates, claims were reviewed. We learned that the accuracy of claims for office procedures could be improved. Please use the following billing and service codes.

CPT and HCPCS Codes: Glaucoma Screening and Eye Exam for Comprehensive Diabetes Care

Glaucoma: CPT	Description of Code	HCPCS	Description of Code
92002, 92004, 92012, 92014, 92081-92083, 92100, 92120, 92130, 92140, 99202-99205, 99213-99215, 99242-99245	Glaucoma Screening	G0117, G0118, S0620, S0621	G0117: Glaucoma Screening for high-risk patients furnished by an optometrist or ophthalmologist G0118: Glaucoma Screening for high-risk patient furnished under the direct supervision of an optometrist or ophthalmologist S0620: Routine ophthalmological examination including refraction; new patient S0621: Routine ophthalmological examination including refraction; established patient
Eye Exams – Comprehensive Diabetes Care: CPT	Description of Code	HCPCS	Description of Code
2022F, 2024F, 2026F	Diabetic Retinal Screening	S0625	S0625: Retinal telescreening by digital imaging of multiple different fundus areas to screen for vision-threatening conditions, including imaging, interpretation and report

NOTE: some minor office procedures (including glaucoma screening) do not require a prior authorization.

People living with HIV/AIDS require close monitoring of eye health. Accurately documenting the provision of eye care helps us track how well we are caring for our patients and reach out to those we've missed. Thank you for playing an active role in improving the overall health and well-being of our Plan members.

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