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To podiatry providers **Reduction in podiatry reimbursement**

The Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) is promulgating an emergency rule to avoid an anticipated budgetary shortfall and to remain within the available Medicaid appropriation. The result is a 5 percent reduction in reimbursement to podiatrists.

Reimbursement to podiatrists for services provided on or after January 1, 2011, will be reduced by 5 percent. The reduction will occur at the claim detail level, based on the rendering provider specialty. The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP)-allowed amount for any procedure performed by a podiatrist (rendering provider specialty 140) will be reduced by 5 percent. This reduction in the allowed amount will occur prior to subtracting any spend-down or third-party liability for the claim.

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and rural health clinics (RHCs) are exempt from this reduction due to federal requirements for their PPS (prospective payment system) reimbursement methodology.

Additional information will be available in the *Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) Provider Manual*. The OMPP appreciates your cooperation and your continued participation as providers in the IHCP.

QUESTIONS?

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