

## **Evaluation and Management (E&M) Procedure Code Termination**

The Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS), Office of Medical Assistance Programs (OMAP), issued bulletin 99-23-06 on June 1, 2023, entitled "2023 Evaluation and Management Fee Adjustments and Code Updates."

This bulletin informs providers of the updates to the E&M procedure codes on the Medical Assistance (MA) Program Fee Schedule, due to the 2023 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) updates. This bulletin applies to enrolled physicians and nurse practitioners.

Effective March 11, 2024, levels of care entitled "Initial Inpatient Consult, Minor" (300-137) with procedure code 99251 and level of care entitled "ER Visit for Eval & Management of Patient, Problem Self Ltd or Minor" (300-174) with procedure code 99281 will be termed from provider contracts. Providers should utilize the other levels of care available on their contract (Schedule A) for inpatient consultations and emergency room evaluations.

Please refer to the MA Bulletin issued on June 1, 2023, for additional details. Any questions should be directed to your assigned Provider Relations Representative.