

***Dear Health Check Provider:***

Please find ***Updates to Health Check program*** below:

### **INTERPERIODIC HEALTH CHECK SCREENS IMPLEMENTED**

Interperiodic Health Check screens will be implemented in the Health Check program effective Date of Service (DOS) May 1, 2005. Federal Regulations state that Interperiodic Health Check screens are provided when it is medically necessary to determine the existence of suspected physical or mental illnesses or conditions (see section 912 of the current Health Check Policies and Procedures manual at [www.ghp.georgia.gov](http://www.ghp.georgia.gov)). The screening provider must specify and document in the child's medical record the reason necessitating the interperiodic screening. These screens are only allowed for members 5 yrs, 0 mths – 20 yrs, 11mths and should be billed with the following:

- Procedure Codes: 99383 – 99385 or 99393 – 99395
- Diagnosis Code: V70.3
- Place of Service: 99
- Modifier: EP

The procedure codes above are activated in Health Check for Interperiodic Health Check screens only (**Complete HIPAA implementation in the Health Check program is *projected* for October 1, 2005**). REMINDER: Interperiodic Health Check screens are not allowed if provided < three (3) months from the DOS of a complete ***periodic*** Health Check screen.

### **NEW IMMUNIZATION CODES**

Two new immunization codes will be implemented in the Health Check program:

- Menactra® (Meningococcal Conjugate)
  - Procedure Code: 90734
  - Diagnosis Code: V03.89
  - Age Range: 11 yrs, 0 mths – 18 yrs, 11 mths
  - Place of Service: 99
  - **Effective: DOS June 1, 2005**
- Decavac® (Preservative Free Td)
  - Procedure Code: 90714
  - Diagnosis Code: V06.5
  - Age Range: 7 yrs, 0 mths – 18 yrs, 11 mths
  - Place of Service: 99
  - **Effective: DOS July 1, 2005**

If you have any questions about vaccine supply, please contact Vaccines For Children (VFC) at 1-800-848-3868 or 404-657-5013.

### **Hep A reimbursement problem**

We have identified a problem within the system that's causing Hep A claims for members living outside of Fulton County to deny or reimburse incorrectly at the Health Check rate (\$8). As a result, an emergency ticket was created for this defect with a projected fix date of 05/19/05. At that time, all Hep A claims submitted since 4/1/03 will be reprocessed for appropriate reimbursement.

### **“User Friendly” Manual**

The Health Check program made several revisions to make the current Health Check manual “user friendly”:

- Added bookmark so providers can simply click on a link in the bookmark which automatically take you to that section of the manual
- Added a Revisions History page so providers can identify, at a glance, what changes occurred in manual
- Added Name of Manual and Quarter of Manual at the top of every page
- Etc.

Please share your thoughts and any additional suggestions by e-mailing [asmalls@dch.state.ga.us](mailto:asmalls@dch.state.ga.us) (Next set of revisions for Health Check manual scheduled for October 2005).

If you have any questions, please contact the Health Check Program at 1-800-377-3557 or [asmalls@dch.state.ga.us](mailto:asmalls@dch.state.ga.us).

Thank you for your continued participation in Georgia’s Medicaid/PeachCare for Kids program.

Sincerely,

Department of Community Health