TO: Physicians, Advance Practice Nurses, Midwives, Independent Clinics, and Hospital Outpatient Departments – For Action
Health Maintenance Organizations – For Information Only

SUBJECT: NJ-VFC Immunization Administration CPT Code Update

EFFECTIVE: Date of Service on or after July 1, 2011

PURPOSE: To notify providers of recent updates in the 2011 CPT Guide for NJ-VFC immunization administration.

BACKGROUND: The NJ-VFC program offers practitioners the opportunity to receive free vaccines for certain Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare-eligible children less than 19 years of age. In June of 1999, the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) terminated Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare fee-for-service (FFS) coverage and reimbursement for vaccines available from the NJ-VFC program. Vaccines for individuals age 19 and over continue to be covered by the Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare programs.

DMAHS provides an enhanced children's rate for administration of injectable immunizations and intranasal or oral immunizations that are ordered from the NJ-VFC program and administered to children eligible for Medicaid/NJ FamilyCare. (https://www.njmmis.com/hospitalinfo.aspx)

The American Medical Association in the new 2011 CPT Guide has determined that CPT codes 90465, 90466, 90467 and 90468 will be deleted from the CPT nomenclature and replaced with two new codes;

- 90460 - Immunization administration through 18 years of age via any route of administration, with counseling by physician or other qualified health care professional; first vaccine/toxoid component.
- +90461 - each additional vaccine/toxoid component (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure).

The CPT codes for vaccine administration 90465, 90466, 90467 and 90468 will be terminated as of 7/1/2011. At this time the Division will not activate CPT codes 90460 and 90461.

The CPT codes 90471, +90472, 90473, and +90474 are to be utilized for NJ-VFC covered immunization administrations.