Update to “The Sterilization Consent Form Has Been Updated and Is Now Available”

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This is an update to the article titled “The Sterilization Consent Form Has Been Updated and Is Now Available,” which was published on this website on January 31, 2014.

The article indicated that beginning April 1, 2014, the version of the form that was effective September 1, 2010, will be denied and returned to the provider for correction.

The update is as follows: If the September 2010 version of the form was signed by the client within 180 days of March 31, 2014, the September 2010 version of the form will be accepted and processed.

For forms signed by the client on or after April 1, 2014, providers must use the January 2014 version of the Sterilization Consent Form that can be downloaded from the TMHP website:

- Sterilization-Consent-Form-(English) – Posted January 31, 2014
- Sterilization-Consent-Form-(Spanish) – Posted January 31, 2014
- Sterilization-Consent-Form-Instructions – Posted January 31, 2014

Previous versions of the form signed by the client on or after April 1, 2014, will be returned to the provider with instructions to resubmit using the correct version.

TMHP will reprocess Sterilization Consent Forms submitted between January 31, 2014, and March 31, 2014. Consent forms submitted using the September 2010 version of the form and signed by the client within 180 days of March 31, 2014, will be accepted.

Claims that were denied because of the consent form will also be reprocessed. When these claims are reprocessed, providers may receive additional payment, which will be reflected on Remittance and Status (R&S) reports.

Reminder

The January 2014 version of the Sterilization Consent Form contains all information required in the previous version and includes the following updates:

- An additional field was added to the beginning of the form allowing providers to indicate whether the submitted form is an initial submission or the correction of a previously denied form.

- The programs have been updated to remove references to Title V, X, and XX. The form now references the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Family Planning program instead.

For more information, call the TMHP Contact Center at 1-800-925-9126.