

# **APPENDIX A: ACRONYMS AND INITIALISMS DICTIONARY**

**CSHCN SERVICES PROGRAM PROVIDER MANUAL**

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## A.1 Acronym Dictionary

| Term    | Definition                                            |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| A/R     | Accounts Receivable                                   |
| AA      | Anesthesiologist Assistant                            |
| AAP     | American Academy of Pediatrics                        |
| AASM    | American Academy of Sleep Medicine                    |
| ABPM    | Ambulatory Blood Pressure Monitoring                  |
| ACA     | Affordable Care Act of 2010                           |
| ACD     | Augmentative Communication Device                     |
| ACIP    | Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices          |
| ACSW    | Academy of Certified Social Workers                   |
| ADA     | American Dental Association                           |
| AFP     | Abdominal Flat Plates                                 |
| AFT     | Autonomic Function Test                               |
| AIDS    | Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome                    |
| AIS     | Automated Inquiry System                              |
| ALL     | Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia                          |
| AMA     | American Medical Association                          |
| ANSI    | American National Standards Institute                 |
| APR-DRG | All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Groups          |
| APRN    | Advanced Practice Registered Nurse                    |
| ASA     | American Society of Anesthesiologists                 |
| ASBMT   | American Society for Blood and Marrow Transplantation |
| ASC     | Ambulatory Surgical Center                            |
| ATP     | Assistive Technology Professional                     |
| AWP     | Average Wholesale Price                               |
| BCBS    | Blue Cross Blue Shield                                |
| BCG     | Bacille Calmette-Guérin                               |
| BiPAP   | Bi-level Positive Airway Pressure                     |
| BON     | (Texas) Board of Nursing                              |
| BSSW    | Bachelor of Science in Social Work                    |
| C/C     | Cleft/Craniofacial                                    |
| CAD     | Clinician-Administered Drug                           |
| CAPD    | Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal Dialysis             |
| CBC     | Complete Blood Count                                  |
| CBT     | Computer-based Training                               |
| CCP     | Comprehensive Care Program                            |
| CCPD    | Continuous Cycling Peritoneal Dialysis                |
| CDT     | Current Dental Terminology                            |
| CGM     | Continuous Glucose Monitors                           |
| CHIP    | Children's Health Insurance Program                   |

| Term      | Definition                                                                                   |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CLIA      | <i>Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments</i>                                            |
| CML       | Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia                                                                 |
| CMS       | Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (formerly HCFA)                                     |
| CNS       | Clinical Nurse Specialist                                                                    |
| CompSA    | Complex Sleep Apnea                                                                          |
| COPD      | Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease                                                        |
| CPAP      | Continuous Positive Airway Pressure                                                          |
| CPR       | Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation                                                                |
| CPT       | Current Procedural Terminology                                                               |
| CRCP      | Certified Respiratory Care Practitioner                                                      |
| CRNA      | Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist                                                       |
| CSA       | Central Sleep Apnea                                                                          |
| CSHCN     | Children with Special Health Care Needs                                                      |
| CSI       | Claim Status Inquiry                                                                         |
| CT        | Computed Tomography                                                                          |
| CVA       | Cerebrovascular Accident                                                                     |
| DDS       | Doctor of Dental Surgery                                                                     |
| DEFRA     | <i>Deficit Reduction Act</i> of 1984                                                         |
| DMD       | Doctor of Dental Medicine                                                                    |
| DME       | Durable Medical Equipment                                                                    |
| DO        | Doctor of Osteopathy                                                                         |
| DOB       | Date of Birth                                                                                |
| DOS       | Date of Service                                                                              |
| DPC       | Diagnostic Procedure Code                                                                    |
| DPM       | Doctor of Podiatric Medicine                                                                 |
| DRG       | Diagnosis-Related Group                                                                      |
| DSHS      | Department of State Health Services                                                          |
| DSM-IV-TR | <i>Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders</i> , Fourth Edition, Text Revision |
| E/M       | Evaluation and Management (Services)                                                         |
| ECG       | Electrocardiogram                                                                            |
| EDI       | Electronic Data Interchange                                                                  |
| EEG       | Electroencephalogram                                                                         |
| EFT       | Electronic Funds Transfer                                                                    |
| EMG       | Electromyography                                                                             |
| EMS       | Emergency Medical Services                                                                   |
| EMTALA    | <i>Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act</i>                                             |
| EOB       | Explanation of Benefits                                                                      |
| EOG       | Electro-oculogram                                                                            |
| EOPS      | Explanation of Pending Status                                                                |

| Term       | Definition                                                                               |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| EPO        | Erythropoietin Alfa                                                                      |
| EPSDT      | Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment                                       |
| ER&S       | Electronic Remittance and Status report                                                  |
| ESWL       | Extracorporeal Shock Wave Lithotripsy                                                    |
| EV         | Eligibility Verification                                                                 |
| FDA        | Food and Drug Administration                                                             |
| FES        | Functional Electrical Stimulation                                                        |
| fMRI       | Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging                                                    |
| FNP        | Family Nurse Practitioner                                                                |
| FQHC       | Federally Qualified Health Center                                                        |
| FSS        | Family Support Services                                                                  |
| FYE        | Fiscal Year End                                                                          |
| HASC       | Hospital-based Ambulatory Surgical Center                                                |
| HBOT       | Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy                                                                |
| HCPCS      | Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System                                                |
| HCSSA      | Home and Community Services Support Agency                                               |
| HFCWCS     | High Frequency Chest Wall Compression Systems                                            |
| HHA        | Home Health Agency                                                                       |
| HHA        | Home Health Aide                                                                         |
| HHS        | Health and Human Services                                                                |
| HHSC       | Health and Human Services Commission                                                     |
| HIPAA      | <i>Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act</i>                               |
| HIV        | Human Immunodeficiency Virus                                                             |
| HKAFO      | Hip-Knee-Ankle-Foot Orthotics                                                            |
| HLA        | Human Leukocyte Antigen                                                                  |
| HMO        | Health Maintenance Organization                                                          |
| HO         |                                                                                          |
| ICD-10-CM  | <i>International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification</i>   |
| ICD-10-PCS | <i>International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Procedure Coding System</i> |
| ICD-9-CM   | <i>International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification</i>   |
| ICF        | Intermediate Care Facility (refer to <i>also</i> SNF)                                    |
| ICF/IID    | Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities                |
| ICN        | Internal Control Number (as in, 24-digit ICN) assigned to a specific claim               |
| ID         | Identification                                                                           |
| IOL        | Intraocular Lens                                                                         |
| IPD        | Intermittent Peritoneal Dialysis                                                         |
| IPPA       | Insurance Premium Payment Assistance                                                     |
| IPPB       | Intermittent Positive Pressure Breathing                                                 |
| IPV        | Intrapulmonary Percussive Ventilation                                                    |
| IRS        | Internal Revenue Service                                                                 |

| Term | Definition                                                              |
|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| IV   | Intravenous                                                             |
| KO   | Knee Orthosis                                                           |
| KUB  | Kidneys, Ureters, and Bladder                                           |
| LBSW | Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker                                    |
| LCSW | Licensed Clinical Social Worker                                         |
| LDL  | Low Density Lipoprotein                                                 |
| LMFT | Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist                                  |
| LMSW | Licensed Master Social Worker                                           |
| LPC  | Licensed Professional Counselor                                         |
| LVN  | Licensed Vocational Nurse                                               |
| MD   | Doctor of Medicine                                                      |
| MMIS | Medicaid Management Information System                                  |
| MNC  | Medically Needy Clearinghouse                                           |
| MNP  | Medically Needy Program                                                 |
| MPH  | Master of Public Health                                                 |
| MRA  | Magnetic Resonance Angiography                                          |
| MRI  | Magnetic Resonance Imaging                                              |
| MSRP | Manufacturers Suggested Retail Price                                    |
| MSSW | Master of Science in Social Work                                        |
| MSW  | Master of Social Work                                                   |
| MTP  | Medical Transportation Program                                          |
| MUE  | Medically Unlikely Edits                                                |
| NCCI | National Correct Coding Initiative                                      |
| NDC  | National Drug Code                                                      |
| NIC  | National Interpreter Certificate                                        |
| NP   | Nurse Practitioner                                                      |
| NPI  | National Provider Identifier                                            |
| OFL  | Online Fee Lookup                                                       |
| OI   | Other Insurance                                                         |
| OMT  | Osteopathic Manipulation Treatment                                      |
| OP   | Outpatient                                                              |
| OPL  | Online Provider Lookup                                                  |
| OSA  | Obstructive Sleep Apnea                                                 |
| OT   | Occupational Therapy, Occupational Therapist                            |
| PA   | Physician Assistant                                                     |
| PACT | Program for Amplification for Children of Texas (Hearing Aids/Services) |
| PAF  | Physician/Dentist Assessment Form                                       |
| PAN  | Prior Authorization Number                                              |
| PCN  | Patient Control Number                                                  |
| PDA  | Personal Digital Assistant                                              |

| Term  | Definition                                                                   |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PDF   | Portable Document Format                                                     |
| PEMS  | Provider Enrollment and Management System                                    |
| PENS  | Percutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation                                    |
| PET   | Positron Emission Tomography (PET scan)                                      |
| PHQ-9 | Patient Health Questionnaire                                                 |
| PKU   | Phenylketonuria                                                              |
| PLP   | Provisionally Licensed Psychologist                                          |
| PNP   | Pediatric Nurse Practitioner                                                 |
| POA   | Present on Admission                                                         |
| POC   | Plan of Care                                                                 |
| POS   | Place of Service                                                             |
| PPECC | Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers                                   |
| PPMP  | Physician-Performed Microscopy Procedures                                    |
| PPO   | Preferred Provider Organization                                              |
| PT    | Physical Therapy, Physical Therapist                                         |
| R&S   | Remittance and Status                                                        |
| RAD   | Respiratory Assist Device                                                    |
| RAST  | Radioallergosorbent Test                                                     |
| RBRVS | Resource-Based Relative Value Scale                                          |
| RESNA | Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America |
| RGO   | Reciprocating Gait Orthosis                                                  |
| RHC   | Rural Health Clinic                                                          |
| RID   | National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf                               |
| RN    | Registered Nurse                                                             |
| RSV   | Respiratory Syncytial Virus                                                  |
| RT    | Right Side                                                                   |
| RVU   | Relative Value Unit                                                          |
| SBGM  | Self Blood Glucose Monitoring                                                |
| SBRT  | Stereotactic Body Radiation Therapy                                          |
| SC    | Subcutaneous                                                                 |
| SID   | Surface Identification                                                       |
| SLP   | Speech-Language Pathology/Speech-Language Pathologist                        |
| SMBPM | Self-Measured Blood Pressure Monitoring                                      |
| SNF   | Skilled Nursing Facility (refer to <i>also</i> ICF)                          |
| SNS   | Sacral Nerve Stimulation                                                     |
| SOC   | Start of Care                                                                |
| SRS   | Stereotactic Radiosurgery Services                                           |
| SSL   | Secure Socket Layer                                                          |
| ST    | Speech Therapy                                                               |
| SVN   | Small Volume Nebulizer                                                       |

| Term        | Definition                                                                                |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| TAC         | <i>Texas Administrative Code</i>                                                          |
| TANF        | Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (formerly AFDC)                                    |
| TEFRA       | <i>Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982</i>                                   |
| TENS        | Transcutaneous Electric Nerve Stimulation                                                 |
| THKAO       | Thoracic-Hip-Knee-Ankle Orthotics                                                         |
| THSteps     | Texas Health Steps (Texas name for EPSDT)                                                 |
| THSteps-CCP | Texas Health Steps Comprehensive Care Program (Texas name for EPSDT-CCP) (now called CCP) |
| TID         | Tooth Identification                                                                      |
| TIP         | Treatment in Place                                                                        |
| TLSO        | Thoracic-lumbar-sacral Orthoses                                                           |
| TMHP        | Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership                                                   |
| TMRM        | Texas Medicaid Reimbursement Methodology                                                  |
| TOB         | Type of Bill                                                                              |
| TOS         | Type of Service                                                                           |
| TPL         | Third-party Liability                                                                     |
| TPN         | Total Parenteral Nutrition (i.e., Hyperalimentation)                                      |
| TPR         | Third-Party Resource                                                                      |
| TSBDE       | Texas State Board of Dental Examiners                                                     |
| TVFC        | Texas Vaccines for Children                                                               |
| UB-04       | Uniform Bill 04 CMS-1450                                                                  |
| UCB         | University of California at Berkeley                                                      |
| UNOS        | United Network for Organ Sharing                                                          |
| VDP         | Vendor Drug Program                                                                       |
| VIPS        | Voice Inquiry Processing System                                                           |
| VPN         | Virtual Private Networking                                                                |