

## HPSM Announcement

**Date:** January 31, 2018  
**To:** HPSM Contracted Providers  
**Subject:** AIDS Waiver Program

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This correspondence is to clarify the coverage and billing policy for the AIDS Waiver Program codes listed below.

- G0299 (direct skilled nursing services of a registered nurse [RN] in the home health or hospice setting, each 15 minutes)
- G0300 (direct skilled nursing services of a licensed practical nurse/licensed vocational nurse [LVN/LPN] in the home health or hospice setting, each 15 minutes)

These codes are invalid when billed as Medi-Cal Direct and therefore are not payable in that circumstance. Even if an authorization is obtained, these codes may be subject to denial. An authorization, or TAR, cannot be used to override incorrect coding and does not guarantee payment. Therefore it is important to bill with the most appropriate code to ensure prompt and accurate reimbursement.

The following code is payable when billed as Medi-Cal Direct when an authorization is approved.

- G0154 (direct skilled nursing services of a licensed nurse [LPN or RN] in the home health or hospice setting, each 15 minutes)

To correct an existing authorization, please use the RAF/AUTH Referral Correction form available on our website and follow the instructions on the form:

[https://www.hpsm.org/documents/Authorization\\_Correction\\_Form.pdf](https://www.hpsm.org/documents/Authorization_Correction_Form.pdf)

If you have questions, please contact the claims department at (650) 616-2056 or [ClaimsInquiries@hpsm.org](mailto:ClaimsInquiries@hpsm.org).

Regards,

Health Plan of San Mateo