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Genetic counselors eligible to enroll as IHCP providers

Effective November 1, 2017, the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) will expand its list of eligible providers to include genetic counselors. This new provider type will allow professionally licensed genetic counselors to enroll as IHCP providers. These providers will be classified using the following provider type and specialty code:

Provider type 36 – *Genetic Counselor* and provider specialty 800 – *Genetic Counselor*.

To enroll with the IHCP under the new provider type 36, genetic counselors must have a National Provider Identifier (NPI) and hold a valid professional license as a genetic counselor, as defined in *Indiana Code IC 25-17.3*. Although licensed physicians and nurses are not required to be licensed as a genetic counselor to provide genetic counseling within their scope of practice, *IC 25-17.3-4-4* stipulates that they cannot use the title “genetic counselor” unless licensed as such.

Genetic counselor (type 36) providers may enroll as a billing provider, a group provider, and a rendering provider under a group practice, or as an ordering, prescribing, or referring (OPR) provider. Genetic counselor group practices can have only providers with specialty code 800 – *Genetic Counselor* linked to the group as rendering providers. Genetic counselors can be enrolled as rendering providers with genetic counselor (type 36) group practices, as well as with any of the following types of group practices:

- Type 08 – *Clinic* with the following specialty codes:
 - 082 – *Medical Clinic*
 - 083 – *Family Planning Clinic*
 - 084 – *Nurse Practitioner Clinic*
 - 087 – *Therapy Clinic*
- Type 09 – *Advanced Practice Nurse* with the following specialty codes:
 - 090 – *Pediatric Nurse Practitioner*
 - 091 – *Obstetric Nurse Practitioner*
 - 092 – *Family Nurse Practitioner*
 - 093 – *Nurse Practitioner*
 - 095 – *Certified Nurse Midwife*



- Type 11 – *Mental Health Provider* with the following specialty codes:
 - 110 – *Outpatient Mental Health Clinic*
 - 111 – *Community Mental Health Center (CMHC)*
 - 114 – *Health Service Provider in Psychology (HSPP)*
- Type 31 – *Physician*
 - All specialties



Genetic counselor (type 36) providers, whether enrolled as a billing or group provider, or as a rendering provider under any type of group practice, are limited to providing only genetic counseling services and to billing only the following procedure codes:

- 96040 – *Medical genetic patient or family counseling services each 30 minutes*
- S9981 SE – *Medical records copying fee, administrative*

Other provider types enrolled with the IHCP that have genetic counseling within their scope of practice should bill for these services following current billing guidance.

After enrolling as a provider with the IHCP, genetic counselor providers may enroll with the IHCP's managed care programs – Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Healthwise, or Hoosier Care Connect – by applying directly with one or more of the contracted managed care entities (MCEs).

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