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Memorandum

To: Oregon Health Plan (OHP) providers

From: Nathan Roberts, Health and Professional Services Policy manager

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Subject: Changes to fee-for-service maternity care billing effective Jan. 1, 2027

Effective Jan. 1, 2027, Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will adopt the American Medical Association (AMA) Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code changes for fee-for-service billing of maternity care services. Under this billing model:

- Services are reported under four separate phases of care: Antepartum, labor management, delivery, and postpartum.
- Evaluation and Management (E/M) codes are used to report all antepartum and postpartum care encounters.

This replaces the current global billing model. In December, OHA will share guidance about fee-for-service billing under the new model on the Medical-Surgical provider guidelines page.

Why is this happening?

State Medicaid programs are required by federal statute, 45 CFR 162.1000(a) and 45 CFR 162.1002, to use medical data code sets that are valid at the time the health care service is furnished. Effective Jan. 1, 2027, the only valid codes for maternity services will be the new CPT codes produced by the AMA.

Earlier this year, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced they would consider developing their own set of codes to support

the current billing model. However, CMS decided to adopt the AMA CPT codes, which are now part of the 2027 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule.

What should you do?

To prepare for this change:

- Please review the 2027 AMA CPT maternity code changes to understand how the new structure affects reporting antepartum, labor management, delivery, and postpartum services.
- Assess operational readiness and potential implementation challenges.

Questions?

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