

From: [Karla Alfaro](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Bureau of Program and Policy Coordination and Division of Medical Programs
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 2:47:26 PM

To whom it may concern,

As an IL Office Administrator I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

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From: [Micah Alford](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] HFS code additions
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 2:15:08 PM
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As an IL Licensed Prosthetist and Orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You,

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From: [John Angelico](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Proposed changes
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 11:41:02 AM

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Thank You

Thanks,

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From: [Angela Bauer](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] support of proposed prosthetic coding changes
Date: Friday, January 20, 2023 8:49:13 PM

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To Whom it may concern,

As an IL Licensed **Prosthetist**, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You,

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From: [Dov Belsky](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Prosthetic codes
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023 11:18:30 AM

Hi,

As an clinical coordinator for a prosthetic company located in Chicago , I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

A large portion of our patients are from under served communities and Medicaid is their only insurance. With a lot of codes not being currently covered by Medicaid, we often see the patients suffer needlessly. The difference between getting a proper prosthetic knee or just the basic ones currently covered by Medicaid, can be the difference between walking or being stuck in a wheelchair. Quality of care will be greatly improved by these proposed changes and I fully support them.

Thank you,
Dov

Dov Belsky

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From: [Brock Berta](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Comment re Prosthetic Rate Notice Effect 1-1-23
Date: Monday, January 9, 2023 10:15:39 AM
Attachments: [Public Notice Prosthetic Rates 1-1-2023.pdf](#)

Bureau of Program & Policy Coordination,

I am writing on behalf of our facility to support the recent addition of codes that have long been used by Medicare and practitioners in general for many years. These additions will bring Illinois Medicaid's closer in terms of its completeness to state Medicaid programs in neighboring states.

The Illinois Medicaid fee schedule is missing over 100 HCPCS codes as compared to Medicare. Which codes will they be adding?

Kindest Regards,

Brock Berta *Contracting Manager*

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From: [Ellie Boomer, LPO, CPO](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee
Date: Monday, January 16, 2023 9:30:33 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

As an IL Licensed Prosthetist and Orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You-
Ellie Boomer, CPO, LPO, FAAOP



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From: [Maureen Boyle](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Support for adding L-Codes to Medicaid coverage
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 8:37:50 AM

As an IL Licensed Orthotist and Prosthetist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You,

Maureen Connelly Boyle

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From: [Buckner, Martin](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] support for adding codes
Date: Friday, January 20, 2023 10:53:24 AM

To whom it may concern,

As an IL Licensed prosthetist / orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You,

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From: [Michael Elsen](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Add Medicare Codes
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 9:23:12 AM

As an IL Licensed Orthotist/Prosthetist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

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From: [Daniel Gehbauer](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Support for proposed prosthetic code additions to Medicaid Fee for Service Schedule
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 12:53:26 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Thank You

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To whom it may concern,

As an Illinois Licensed Prosthetist/Orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee schedule effective January 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the opportunity for care that is that is currently available to Medicare recipients and Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thanks for your support improving our patient outcomes.

From: [Stephanie Henderson](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Support Adding 58 New L-codes To Medicaid/MCO
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 12:36:34 PM

To the Division of Medical Programs for BPPC,

As an Office Administrator for an IL Licensed O&P Facility Provider, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023.

The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance.

All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

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From: [Jerousek, Sara](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Please Read
Date: Friday, January 20, 2023 1:28:31 PM

Hello,

As an IL Licensed Orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

Sara L. Jerousek, CO LO

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Illinois Society of Orthotists & Prosthetists (ISOP)

January 17, 2023

To: Bureau of Program and Policy Coordination
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Healthcare and Family Services
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From: ISOP

5505 Grand Ave. Western Springs, IL 60558

RE: **Public Notice of Dec. 23, 2022 to add codes to the Prosthetic fee schedule**

Dear Bureau PPC,

I am president of ISOP that represents the IL Licensed OPP practitioners who provide services to Medicaid recipients and the accredited OPP facilities. ISOP membership represents 85% of all sites of OPP service. I and the ISOP practitioner and facility members support the proposed change to add prosthetic codes to the HFS fee schedule.

A bit of history – the addition of this select group of codes to the fee schedule was approved by the bi-partisan budget committee in 2019 but was delayed due to COVID.

The proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule is effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Your approval of the proposed codes will enhance the functional opportunities for individuals who require a prosthesis.

Thank You

Jim Kaiser CP/LP

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From: [Jill Jones](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] support of additional codes
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 1:25:32 PM

As an IL Licensed and certified prosthetist/orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.
Thank You

Jill Jones, CPO

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From: [Mark Kaiser](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Prosthetic Codes
Date: Friday, January 20, 2023 1:38:24 PM

As an IL Licensed Orthotist/Prosthetist (CPO/L) I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

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From: [Claire Kilpatrick](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Prosthetic Fee Schedule Changes
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 2:36:43 PM

As an IL Licensed Prosthetist-Orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. Approval of these codes will elevate the quality of life of those requiring a prosthesis and enable Medicaid beneficiaries access to prosthetic solutions already available to others. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You.

Best Regards,
Claire Kilpatrick

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From: [Chad Knapp](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] HFS Proposed Changes
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 11:45:30 AM

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Thank You

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From: [Brett Kramer](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Adding prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee schedule
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 11:37:33 AM

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Thank You,

Brett Kramer CPO IL Licensure # 211.000166

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From: [Addison Lear](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Medicaid Prosthetic Policy Change
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 2:45:57 PM

As an O & P office administrator, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank you,

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From: [Samantha Marek](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Support for Prosthetic Fee Schedule Additions
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 5:03:21 PM

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Thank You,

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Regards,

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From: [Todd McAllister](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Date: Sunday, January 15, 2023 2:18:57 PM

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Thank You

Todd E. McAllister, CP, LP
Director of Prosthetics
Comprehensive Prosthetics and Orthotics

From: [Tracy A. Melton, LPO, CPO, CPed](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Medicaid/Mco FFS schedule
Date: Saturday, January 14, 2023 1:48:13 PM
Attachments: [Outlook-1517507709.png](#)

As an IL Licensed CPO, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

Tracy Melton



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From: [John Michael](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Updating prosthetic codes for Medicaid recipients Jan 2023
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 3:52:49 PM

Bureau of Program and Policy Coordination
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201 South Grand Avenue East
Springfield, IL 62763-0001

As an IL Licensed Prosthetist [#211.000151], I strongly support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for rehabilitation care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance.

All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank you.

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From: [Robert Novak](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] comment for Prosthetic Fee Schedule update
Date: Saturday, January 14, 2023 11:06:08 AM

Dear Bureau of Program and Policy Coordination,
As an IL Licensed Orthotist for 20 years, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Sincerely,
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From: [Thomas ODoherty](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] support for bill
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 7:39:21 PM

As an IL Licensed certified prosthetist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved. I work on the south side of Chicago where I see a lot of Medicaid pts and these pt's would greatly benefit from these additions.

Yours truly

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From: [Matthew Okon](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] support
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 10:50:54 AM

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Thank You,

Matthew Okon (IL Licensure# 211.000204, 213.000195)

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From: [Jody Polster](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Medicaid Coding Additions
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 10:57:33 AM

As an IL Orthotic and Prosthetic Office Administrator, Biller and Insurance Verifier, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved. Thank You,

Jody Polster

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From: [Lauren Price](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Prosthetic code additions to medicaid fee schedule
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 6:06:51 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

To Whom it May Concern;

As a Certified Prosthetist Orthotist practicing in Illinois, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thanks,

Lauren Price

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From: [Timothy Russo](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] to whom it may concern
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 10:52:58 AM

As an IL Licensed prosthetist/orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You,

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From: [Sandra Schechner](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Fwd: Prosthetic Medicaid addition codes- Not encrypt
Date: Saturday, January 14, 2023 2:37:07 PM

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From: Sandra Schechner <SandraCPO@phoenixrisingpo.com>
Date: January 14, 2023 at 2:28:44 PM CST
To: HFS.bpra@illinois.gov
Subject: Prosthetic Medicaid addition codes

To Whom It May Concern:

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Thank You.

Sincerely ,

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From: [Devin Schlueter](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] HFS Prosthetic Fee Schedule
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 10:59:54 AM

As an IL Licensed Prosthetist & Orthotist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved. As a clinician working predominantly with Medicaid funded patients, I am routinely forced to provide patients substandard interventions due to restrictions on Medicaid fee schedules. The proposed additional L-codes are used routinely in practice for Medicare/VA/and privately funded patients. Adding these codes to the Medicaid fee schedule will drastically improve the quality of service that I am able to provide to my patients and thus improve their quality of life and ultimately reduce further spending relating to prosthetic fitting issues, breakdown, and sound limb degradation from lesser prosthetic technologies.

Thank You

Devin Schlueter, LPO
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From: [Jacqueline Schmit](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] support of adding Lcodes to Medicaid
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023 10:53:34 AM

As an IL Licensed Prosthetist, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved. It does not mean that everyone will automatically get higher end/costlier devices. We still adhere to the K code system when determining a patient's expected ambulatory status and activity level once they get their prosthesis.

Thank You

Jacqueline Schmit, MS, LP, CFm (she/her)

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From: [Ryan Schuetzle](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Proposed Changes in Methods for Establishing Medical Assistance Payment Rates
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 10:49:15 AM

To Whom It May Concern,

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Thank You,
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To Whom it May concern

As an IL Licensed **Prosthetist**, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

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**PROPOSED CHANGES IN METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PAYMENT RATES**

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES**

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services is proposing a change in the methods and standards by which the Department will reimburse providers. The proposed change is effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2023.

The Department is proposing to add codes to the Prosthetic Fee Schedule for prosthetic services provided under the medical assistance program. Rates for these services are established based on the Medicare prevailing rate minus 6%.

The Department estimates this change will increase expenditures \$5.5 million annually for services provided through fee-for-service or through managed care organizations. The proposed change is subject to approval by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and may be modified or revised during the approval process.

Any interested party may submit questions or comments concerning these proposed changes in reimbursement methods and standards. All questions or comments must be submitted in writing within thirty (30) days of the publication date of this notice and addressed to:

Bureau of Program and Policy Coordination
Division of Medical Programs
Healthcare and Family Services
201 South Grand Avenue East
Springfield, IL 62763-0001
E-mail address: HFS.bpra@illinois.gov

The notice may be viewed at the DHS local offices (except in Cook County). In Cook County, the notice may be reviewed at the Office of the Director, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, 401 South Clinton Street, 1st Floor, Chicago, Illinois. Comments received regarding this notice shall be published on the HFS web site at <http://www.illinois.gov/hfs/info/legal/PublicNotices/Pages/>.

This notice is being provided in accordance with federal requirements found at 42 CFR 447.205.

From: [Elena Sorci](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] re: support for added codes
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 11:09:49 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

To Whom It May Concern:

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Thank You,

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From: [Robin Spencer](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Add Prosthetic codes
Date: Saturday, January 14, 2023 3:06:55 PM

As an IL Licensed _pedorthtist_____, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved.

Thank You

_Robin Spencer__

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Kathryn Spottiswood](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Proposed changes
Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 1:00:07 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

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Thank You

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From: [Brian Steinberg, LO, CO](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Proposed L Code Additions
Date: Saturday, January 14, 2023 5:19:04 PM

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Thank You

Brian Steinberg, CO, LO
Licensed Certified Orthotist

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From: [Aidan Tharp](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Public Notice Prosthetic Rates 01/01/2023
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 10:58:11 AM

Good Morning,

I would like to comment that this is a great advance in the care of prosthetic patients on Medicaid. Particularly when the best device to help them in their mobility is covered by Medicare however, Illinois Medicaid does not cover the code and as such does not allow the patient the opportunity to live their best life if they were more financially able.

Thank you for supporting the care of these patients.

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From: [Srivatsa Tuppal](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Support adding 58 new L-codes to Medicaid/MCO
Date: Saturday, January 14, 2023 4:23:08 PM

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Thank You
Srivatsa Tuppal, CPO, LPO
ABC-- CPO04317
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From: [Jason Wening](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] support for Medicaid Prosthetic changes
Date: Thursday, January 19, 2023 4:48:41 PM

As an IL Licensed Prosthetist and Orthotist and a user of two prosthetic limbs, I support the proposed changes by HFS to add prosthetic codes to the Medicaid fee for service schedule effective Jan. 1, 2023. The implementation of these codes will offer the Medicaid recipients the same opportunity for care that is currently available to Medicare recipients, Veterans and patients covered by private insurance. All the proposed service codes are currently Medicare and VA approved. Thank You,

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From: [Mary Whalen](#)
To: [HFS.Bpra](#)
Subject: [External] Proposed changes
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 10:41:14 AM

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