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Subject: Billing Instructions for 2008 Flu Vaccine

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Provider Types Affected:

Passport Health Plan and Passport Advantage Providers

Passport Health Plan (PHP) Instructions for 2008 Flu Vaccine:

Providers may bill PHP for flu vaccines as normal. Please note the following guidelines:

- **Adult Flu Vaccine:** PHP will reimburse providers as follows:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Description</u>
90656	\$17.37	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, preservative free, for use in members three years of age and above, for intramuscular use
90658	\$13.22	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, for use in members three years of age and above, for intramuscular use

The rates above include both the vaccine and the administration of the flu vaccine administered to adults over age 18. If your office exhausts its supply of the flu vaccine, please refer PHP members to their local health department or pharmacy flu clinic. To remain consistent with the methodology for other vaccine services, total payment for the service will be reflected on the vaccine code, and the administration code will deny "I91 – Inappropriate Coding Per Contract/Agreement."

- **Children's Flu Vaccine:** The children's flu vaccine is provided through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program. All PHP providers are encouraged to participate in this program for their pediatric patients. PHP cannot reimburse VFC vaccines; however, the Plan will continue to reimburse providers \$5.00 for the administration of the children's flu vaccine. To remain consistent with the methodology for other vaccine services and to facilitate encounter submissions from PHP to the Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services (DMS), payment will be reflected on the vaccine code, and the administration code will deny "I91 – Inappropriate Coding Per Contract/Agreement."
- **Flumist:** PHP will reimburse providers for the Flumist for members between the ages of two and 49. The use of Flumist does not require a prior authorization from PHP. Please note the Flumist is also provided through the VFC, as described above.

<u>Code</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Description</u>
90660	\$22.50	Influenza virus vaccine, live, for intranasal use

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Passport Advantage (PAD) Instructions for 2008 Flu Vaccine:

Providers may also bill PAD for flu vaccines as normal. Please note the following guidelines:

- **All PAD Members:** PAD will reimburse providers for both the flu vaccine (based on the code billed) and the administration of the flu vaccine (G0008). **Please remember PAD members have a \$0 copay for the flu vaccine.** If your office exhausts its supply of the flu vaccine, please refer PAD members to a local health department or pharmacy flu clinic.
- **Flumist:** PAD will reimburse providers for the Flumist. Flumist is only indicated for healthy persons between the ages of two and 49. The use of Flumist does not require a prior authorization from PAD.

Questions:

If you have questions regarding this communication, please contact your Provider Relations representative or the Provider Relations department at (502) 585-7943.

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