A Message to

Business Office Managers

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Memorandum

TO: Business Office Managers of AmeriHealth Participating Hospitals in New Jersey

FROM: Kathleen Mariano
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DATE: September 1, 2005

SUBJECT: OCTOBER 1, 2005 FEE SCHEDULE ADDITIONS

The following newly released HCPCS codes will be added to the surgical fee schedule effective October 1, 2005:

S2075 Laparoscopy; surgical repair incisional or ventral hernia at category 6
S2076 Laparoscopy; surgical repair of umbilical hernia category 6
S2077 Laparoscopy; surgical implantation of mesh or other prosthesis for incisional or ventral hernia repair (list separately in addition to code for incisional or ventral hernia repair) NSP (not separately priced)
S2114 Arthroscopy; shoulder, surgical; tenodesis of biceps at category 4

Additionally, we will be adding the following HCPCS code to our laboratory fee schedule:

S3626 Maternal serum quadruple marker screen including alpha-fetoprotein (AFP), estroil, human chorionic Gonadotropin (hcG) and inhibin A

Please note that we will not be updating the paper/electronic copy of the fee schedules at this time but will include these and other updates in our next scheduled release.

For all questions of a clinical or technical nature, please contact Carol Dodd, RHIT, Senior Hospital Analyst at 215-241-9413. For all other questions regarding this bulletin, contact Germaine Anderson, Manager, at 215-241-2635 .Please share this memo with all appropriate staff members.