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### **UPDATED: Billing Changes for Hospitals and Ambulatory Surgical Centers**

This bulletin updates the previous IlliniCare Health bulletin released on 12/20/2016 regarding the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edit for the G codes billed with Evaluation and Management (E&M) codes. Please note that we have lifted the edit in that bulletin and configuration has been updated to mirror the notice from HFS located here: <https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalProviders/notices/Pages/prn161209b.aspx>

For service dates 01/01/2017 and after, health systems are required to bill within standard coding requirements. Observation claims **must** be coded with G0379 and G0378 according to the revised NCCI requirements or the claims will be denied. Providers must continue to identify two revenue lines for observation, with the first Revenue Code 0762 billed with G0379 and a second Revenue Code 0762 billed with procedure code G0378.

**What this means for providers:** For service dates 04/01/2016 through 12/31/2016 providers can either:

- (1) Submit a corrected claim following the NCCI edit to be compliant as noted in the original IlliniCare Health bulletin, if you have **not** done so already;
- or
- (2) Wait for a global claims reprocessing project that will recycle any claim that denied for this specific billing edit. This global claims project is scheduled to begin within the next week and we anticipate approximately 60 business days for full completion.

Please contact your Provider Relations representative if you have any questions about this bulletin.