Clinical Policy: Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP)

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## Description

Medical necessity criteria for the Diabetes Prevention Program (DPP).

## Policy/Criteria

1. It is the policy of Home State Health that the Diabetes Prevention Program is **medically necessary** when meeting one of the following:
   1. Initial core service period (consisting of a maximum of 26 sessions in months 1- 12), all of the following:
      * 1. 21 years of age and older and currently enrolled as a Home State Health member;
        2. Not currently pregnant;
        3. BMI ≥25 or a BMI ≥ 23 if of Asian descent, as of the date of attendance at the first core session;
        4. No previous diagnosis of type one (1) or two (2) diabetes with the exception of gestational diabetes;
        5. Had at least one of the following within the last twelve (12) months:
           1. Hemoglobin A1C test with a value of 5.7% to 6.4%;
           2. A fasting plasma glucose of 100 mg/dl to 125 mg/dl;
           3. A 2-hour plasma glucose of 140 to 199 mg/dl after the 75 oral glucose tolerance test;
   2. Ongoing maintenance program (consisting of a maximum of four (4) sessions in months 13 through 24), and the member has achieved and maintained a minimum of 5% weight loss at the end of the first 12 months.
2. Providers of DPP services include individuals and/or organizations with diabetes prevention programs that have pending, preliminary, or full recognition status from the CDC’s Diabetes Prevention Recognition Program, and are enrolled as MO HealthNet providers.
3. Additional DPP services requests beyond the initial allocation must be submitted as a new prior authorization request.
4. Participants receiving DPP services are not eligible to receive concurrent authorization for other MO HealthNet reimbursed weight reduction services.

## Background

On September 1, 2020, the MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will implement a DPP for eligible adult participants. These services are Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)-recognized DPP services for at risk individuals, intended to prevent or delay the progression to Type-2 Diabetes. DPP services are provided during a “core services period” of 12 months, and the curriculum focuses on making lifestyle changes and monitoring weight, BMI, and physical activity. Participants that meet continuation criteria will receive an additional 12 months of ongoing maintenance services that emphasize maintaining the lifestyle changes*.*

The goal is to improve health outcomes for the adult population at risk for developing diabetes by managing obesity and associated co-morbidities.

**Coding Implications**

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| **CPT® Codes** | **Description** |
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| 99412 | Preventative Medicine Service, group counseling for ongoing maintenance |

| **HCPCS Codes** | **Description** |
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| 0403T | Preventive behavior change, intensive program of prevention of diabetes using a standardized DPP curriculum, provided to individuals in a group setting, minimum sixty (60) minutes, per day |

**ICD-10-CM Diagnosis Codes that Support Coverage Criteria**

+ Indicates a code requiring an additional character

| **ICD-10-CM Code** | **Description** |
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### References

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