

November 7, 1994

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Dear Mr. Collins:

This is to transmit to you the action of the Board of Nursing in response to your request regarding services which nurse-midwives are legally authorized to perform, outside the maternity cycle.

The sections of the CPT Codes which you sent were reviewed by the Nursing Practice Committee who made a recommendation to the Board at the November 4, 1994 meeting. After due deliberation, the Board adopted the attached opinion. The first two columns are the codes you designated. The third column are additional codes which the Board believes to be within the realm of CNM practice.

The Board agreed that the frame of reference for determining whether lab tests are within the scope of practice for CNMs is whether ordering the test is within CNM practice, not necessarily whether the CNM performs the test.

Regarding immunizations, the Board believes CNMs can administer all listed immunizations if ordered by the physician.

If you have questions about this opinion, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Barbara L. Morvant, MN, RN
Executive Director

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Attachment: Table of CPT Codes Approved/Disapproved for CNM Practice

CPT CODES APPROVED/DISAPPROVED FOR CNM PRACTICE

YES - CNM PRACTICE	NO - NOT CNM PRACTICE	YES--NOT DHH SELECTED
99218	99221	99431
99219	99222	57061 (with protocol)
99220	99223	59400
99231	99232	59409
99238	99233	59410
99281	99284	59414
99282	99285	59425
99283	99360	59426
99371* See note below	99361	59430
99432	99362	80002
99433	74000	80003
99440	74010	80004
11975		80005
11976		80006
11977		80007
57170		80008
58300		80009
58301		80010
59020		80011
59025		80019
59050		80439
59300		80440
76805		81000
76810		81005
76815		81007
76816		82962
76818		83001
80012		83002

YES - CNM PRACTICE	NO - NOT CNM PRACTICE	YES--NOT DHH SELECTED
80016		84443
80018		86302
81002		86311
81015		86430
81025		86431
82465		86663
82947		86664
83020		86665
83718		86674
83719		86687
83721		86688
84478		86694
84702		86695
84703		86777
85013		86778
85014		86787
85018		87210
85023		87211
85024		90710
85025		90718
86317		
86403		
86580		
86689		
86701		
86702		
86762		
86781		
86850		

YES - CNM PRACTICE	NO - NOT CNM PRACTICE	YES--NOT DHH SELECTED
86900		
86901		
87070		
87072		
87086		
87087		
87088		
87110		
87178		
87205		
88150		
88151		
88156		
88157		
90724		
90728		
90731		
90732		

* Requires rewording as follows:

Telephone call by a **certified nurse-midwife** to a patient for medical management in accord with medically approved protocol, or for coordinating medical management with other health care professionals (eg. nurses, therapists, social workers, nutritionists, physicians, pharmacists); simple or brief (eg. to report on tests and/or laboratory results, to clarify or alter previous instructions, to integrate new information from other health professionals into the medical treatment plan, or to adjust therapy, according to protocols.

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