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A question came up at the end of the H1N1 Webinar about can a CHC bill for a medical visit **and** the H1N1 vaccine administrative cost if the patient receives the H1N1 vaccination at the medical visit?

The answer is evidently "No," as Ms. Peg Shields from the Medicaid Program Provider Representative for Claims writes the following:

Medicaid Reimbursement

1. If a patient presents with a medical condition and receives the H1N1 vaccine at this visit
 - Medicaid payment – threshold rate of reimbursement on the E&M visit only (Evaluation and Management code)
 - A secondary procedure code 90470 for administration of the vaccine should be added to the encounter form to track H1N1 vaccinations
 - It is recommended that it is documented when a patient is offered the H1N1 vaccine and refuses using V-codes.
2. If a patient presents for the H1N1 vaccine only, the administration fee will be billed as an ordered ambulatory service @ \$13.23
 - Medicaid reimbursement for Administration of the H1N1 vaccine will be \$13.23
 - Need to track vaccinations to include on the new UDS system but not included in the patient count as a user
3. Medicaid Managed Care Plans adhere to the above 1 and 2 however reimbursement depends on the contracted reimbursement amounts.