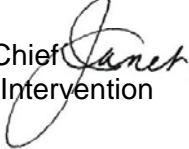




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**CFC INFORMATION NOTICE**

**TO:** CFC Program Managers  
Service Coordinators

**FROM:** Janet D. Gully, Chief   
Bureau of Early Intervention

**DATE:** April 27, 2011

**SUBJECT: NEW PROCEDURE CODES FOR BILLING OF HEARING AID CHECKS**

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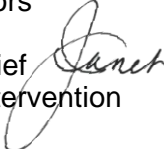
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- For a Hearing Aid Check the service coordinator will authorize the code EIHAC.
- **Authorize for one occurrence only per authorization.**
- No procedure codes will print on the authorization.
- EIHAC will print on the authorization instead of procedure codes.
- The audiologist may have an EIHAC authorization at a minimum of every three months.
- If it is identified that a child may need to have a hearing aid check prior to three months from the date of the previous check, the audiologist must submit a written justification of need to the child's service coordinator to request an authorization. No special form is required.
- EI will not pay for hearing aid checks more than one time per month. Therefore, **service coordinators should never generate more than one EIHAC authorization per month.**

If you have questions about this Information Notice please send them to Jennifer Kepner at [Jennifer.Kepner@illinois.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Kepner@illinois.gov).

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**TO:** Audiologists  
CFC Program Managers  
Service Coordinators

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<u>Code</u>	<u>Procedure</u>	<u>Rate</u>
92592	Hearing aid check; monaural	\$15.20
92593	Hearing aid check; binaural	\$15.20
92594	Electroacoustic evaluation for Hearing aid; monaural	\$15.20
92595	Electroacoustic evaluation for Hearing aid; binaural	\$15.20

- A Hearing Aid Check (EIHAC) authorization will be allowed for one occurrence only per authorization.
- No procedure codes will print on the authorization.
- EIHAC will print on the authorization instead of procedure codes.
- The audiologist will be allowed to bill up to two procedure codes on one authorization.
- The audiologist will choose either binaural or monaural codes to bill. **NOTE:** Do not bill two codes unless you completed two procedures.
- The audiologist may have an EIHAC authorization at a minimum of every three months. If it is identified that a child may need to have a hearing aid check prior to three months from the date of the previous check, the audiologist must submit a written justification of need to the child's service coordinator to request an authorization. **NOTE: EI will not pay for hearing aid checks more than one time per month. The audiologist is required to submit a written document to the service coordinator to justify receipt of an EIHAC authorization if a hearing aid check is needed prior to three months from the previous check.**

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