

## Memo

To: Providers

From: El Paso First Health Plans, Inc. (El Paso First)

Date: March 29, 2013

Re: Reimbursement for Foot Inserts (Medicaid/CHIP)

Effective April 1, 2013, authorization requests for foot inserts requested by Physicians or Podiatrists for Medicaid or CHIP members will not be approved and claims will deny.

TheTexas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)provides the following information pertaining to foot inserts and the allowable reimbursement for Podiatrist and Physicians:

Only enrolled licensed Orthotists, Prosthetists, or Durable Medical Equipment Providers can receive reimbursement for orthotics and prosthetics.

TMHP 2013Texas Medicaid Provider Procedures Manual Reference Sections:

| 2.7 Orthotic and Prosthetic Services (CCP)   | CH-85   |
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| 2.7.2.1* Services, Benefits, and Limitations | . CH-85 |
| 2.7.2.1.1 Noncovered Orthotic Services       | CH-86   |
| 2.7.2.2.3 Foot Orthoses                      | CH-89   |

If you have any questions regarding this update, please contact the Provider Relations Department at 915-532-3778 ext 1507.