



# Weekly Provider News

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## Antigen Therapy Services Code Conversion

Effective July 1, 2016, CPT codes 95144 (professional services for the supervision of preparation and provision of antigens for allergen immunotherapy, single-dose vial(s)) and 95170 (whole body extract of biting insect or other arthropod) will become Medi-Cal covered benefits. The code conversion is part of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), which mandates the use of national codes and the conversion of local X codes to the national codes. Beginning July 1, 2016, providers should bill using the codes below in place of the local X codes shown below:

- Local code X7708 will crosswalk to CPT code 95144
- Local code X7710 will crosswalk to CPT code 95170

More information on the CPT codes and billing details may be found on the Medi-Cal website or the Allergy Testing and Desensitization section of the Medi-Cal manuals at [http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/publications/masters-mtp/part2/allergy\\_m01o03.doc](http://files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/publications/masters-mtp/part2/allergy_m01o03.doc).

### Questions?

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