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Extended Care Health Option (ECHO)

Chapter 9 Section 8.1

Training

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1.0 CPT¹ PROCEDURE CODES

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2.0 POLICY

- **2.1** Training when required to allow the use of an assistive technology device or to acquire skills which are expected to assist the beneficiary in reducing the disabling effects of a qualifying condition may be cost-shared as an Extended Care Health Option (ECHO) benefit subject to all applicable ECHO requirements.
- **2.2** Training for parents (or guardians) and siblings of an ECHO beneficiary when required as an integral part of the management of the qualifying condition may be cost-shared as an ECHO benefit subject to all applicable ECHO requirements.
- **2.3** Vocational training, in the beneficiary's home or a facility providing such, is an allowed ECHO benefit.
- **2.4** Services cost-shared through the ECHO may be provided by an authorized institutional or individual professional provider on an inpatient or outpatient basis and rendered in the beneficiary's natural environment. This includes at home, at school, or other location that is suitable for the type of services being rendered.

3.0 EXCLUSIONS

Training services available under the TRICARE Basic Program are not eligible to be cost-shared under the ECHO.

4.0 EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2005.

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