



**Bulletin #06-09**

**TO:** Independence Blue Cross participating hospitals and select ambulatory surgical centers

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**SUBJECT:** Fee schedule changes

We are sending this bulletin to inform you of the changes to the fee schedule that are listed below. These changes are effective August 6, 2009. If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact your Network Coordinator.

Edit/Fee schedule	Change type	CPT®/HCPCS code	Description	Category	Pricing
Cardiology	Add	93306	Echocardiography, transthoracic, real-time with image documentation (2-D), includes M-mode recording, when performed, complete, with spectral Doppler echocardiography, and with color flow Doppler echocardiography.	N/A	\$265.00
Surgery	Delete	59020	Fetal contraction stress code	M	\$125.00

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