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Maternity Admissions for Deliveries

2005 Hospital Provider Workshop
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• **Deliveries from June 1, 2005 – June 30, 2005**
  
  • For dates of Service June 1-30, 2005, hospitals must certify with eQHealth Solutions (eQHS) inpatient admissions for deliveries if the length of stay is more than 2 days for vaginal deliveries and more than 4 days for Cesarean section deliveries.
  
  • This is a change from the current policy which requires certification if the length of stay is beyond 3 days for vaginal deliveries and 5 days for Cesarean section deliveries.

• **Deliveries on and after July 1, 2005**
  
  • DOM will require reporting to (eQHS) of all maternity admissions for deliveries.
  
  • Hospitals must report the admission if the length of stay is 2 days or less for a vaginal delivery and more than 4 days for Cesarean section deliveries.
  
  • Admissions beyond the 2/4 days will continue to require further certification of the inpatient days based on medical necessity.
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- Deliveries on and after July 1, 2005 (Continued)
  - (eQHS) will handle the processes and issue Treatment Authorization Numbers (TANs) beginning with the first day of admission. The TAN must be obtained to ensure payment of hospital and physician claims.
  - (eQHS) is currently conducting workshops which include specific instructions for the reporting requirements.
  - Providers may view the policy in the Hospital Inpatient Section 25.25 by accessing at the DOM website at [www.dom.state.ms.us](http://www.dom.state.ms.us) and clicking on “Provider Manuals” in the left window.