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Update of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Codes and File Names, Descriptions, and Instructions for Retrieving the 2005 Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) HCPCS Additions, Deletions, and Master Listing

Key Words

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Provider Types Affected

ASCs providing services to Medicare beneficiaries and billing Medicare carriers or fiscal intermediaries (FIs) for those services

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is July 1, 2005.
- The implementation date is July 5, 2005.
- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is updating the ASC HCPCS codes list to reflect the Medicare-approved ASC procedures added to and deleted from the ASC list – as outlined in an interim final rule in the May 4, 2005 Federal Register (70 CFR 23690, link provided below).
- For a listing of the ASC HCPCS codes list additions and deletions, including the HCPCS codes, the short code descriptor, the ASC payment group, and the ASC payment rate, providers should please refer to the Background section of MM3905.

Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3905.pdf> on the CMS website.

The complete list of Medicare-approved ASC HCPCS codes, including the codes being added to and deleted from the ASC list effective July 1, 2005, can be found in the interim rule at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ASCPayment/downloads/1478-ifc.pdf> on the CMS website.

For complete details, providers should see the official instruction issued to carriers/FIs regarding this change at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R584CP.pdf> on the CMS website.