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Modify Common Working File (CWF) Edit 51#L

Key Words

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Provider Types Affected

Certain providers who bill Medicare Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs) for outpatient services

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is May 15, 2006.
- The implementation date is May 15, 2006.
- Certain providers should be aware that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will modify the edit in Medicare systems that prevents payment on claims with units of service for observation (revenue code 0762) greater than 48 hours, unless:
 - Type of bill (TOB) is 85X:
 - TOB is 13X from an Indian Health Services Facility;
 - TOB is 13X from a Maryland Waiver Hospital (21); or
 - The TOB is 13X from a TEFRA facility (those in American Samoa (State Code (SC) 64), the Northern Mariana Islands (SC 66), Guam (SC 65), or the Virgin Islands (SC 48)).
- For claims with dates of service on or after May 1, 2006, claims that were not paid because of the inadvertent application of this edit in Medicare systems should be resubmitted.

Important Links

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM4382.pdf>

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R907CP.pdf>

Providers may contact their local FI if they have questions about this issue. Their toll-free phone number can be found by going to

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.