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New 2007 Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Mammography Codes

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Provider Types Affected

All physicians and providers who bill Medicare carriers, fiscal intermediaries (FI), or Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs) for mammography services

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is January 1, 2007.
- The implementation date is January 2, 2007.
- MLN Matters article MM5327 and related Change request (CR) 5327 announce the assignment of new Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes for screening and diagnostic mammography services.
- As part of the annual Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) update, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has assigned new 2007 CPT mammography codes for screening and diagnostic mammography services.
- Effective January 1, 2007, these codes (77051, 77052, 77055, 77056, and 77057) will replace the current CPT codes; however the CPT code descriptors for the services are unchanged.
- The table on page 2 of MM5327 displays the new (and old) replacement codes and their descriptions.
- Claims will be returned (with dates of service on or after January 1, 2007) that contain the old screening and diagnostic mammography codes.
- Also, effective January 1, 2007, frequency standards for screening mammography will be applied to the new screening codes (77052 and 77057).

Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM5327.pdf> on the CMS web site.

Providers can find more information about the new 2007 mammography CPT codes by going to CR5327 located at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R1070CP.pdf> on the CMS web site.

Attached to CR5327, providers will find revised Chapter 18 (Preventive and Screening Services), Section 20 (Mammography Services) of the *Medicare Claims Processing Manual* (100-04).

If providers have any questions, they may contact their carrier, FI, or A/B MAC at their toll-free number, which may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS web site.