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Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing L Codes – Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (DMERCs) and Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs)

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Provider Type Affected

Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) and suppliers that bill Medicare fiscal intermediaries (FIs) and durable medical equipment regional carriers (DMERCs)

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is June 28, 2004.
- The implementation date is June 28, 2004.
- As of April 1, 2004, suppliers cannot be paid for codes L5673 and L5679 for services provided to a beneficiary in a Part A SNF stay.
- K0557 and K0558 codes replaced L5673 and L5679 codes.
- Codes L5673 and L5679 will allow separate payment by DMERCs and FIs outside the prospective payment rate for Medicare beneficiaries in Part A SNF stays.
- These codes will be added to the October 2004 quarterly update.
- If a provider's claims for L5679 and L5673 services are not paid from April 1 through September 30, 2004, they should notify their DMERC or intermediary and request the claim be re-opened with the appropriate override code.

Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3295.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (CR3295) regarding this change may be viewed at <http://www.cms.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R191CP.pdf> on the CMS website.