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Patient Status Code 65 or Implementation of Patient Status Code 65, Discharged/Transferred to a Psychiatric Hospital or Psychiatric Distinct Part Unit of a Hospital

Key Words

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Provider Types Affected

Hospitals and other facilities that bill Medicare Fiscal Intermediaries

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is April 1, 2004.
- The implementation date is January 3, 2005.
- Change Request (CR) 3364 implements Patient Status Code 65, "discharged/transferred to a psychiatric hospital or psychiatric distinct part unit of a hospital."
- Field Locator 22 on the UB-92 or electronic equivalent is a required field for all Part A inpatient, skilled nursing facility, hospice, home health agency, and outpatient hospital bills.
- Field locator 22 code indicates a patient's status as of the "through" date of the billing period.
- Hospitals are using patient Status Code 05 for patients discharged/transferred to a psychiatric hospital or psychiatric distinct unit of a hospital because psychiatric hospitals and psychiatric distinct part units have been included in the patient Status Code 05 (previously defined as "discharged/transferred to another type of facility").
- CR3364 removes these types of hospitals from the patient Status Code 05 and assigns them separately identifiable patient Status Code 65.
- Medicare identifies psychiatric hospitals by provider number xx-4xxx, psychiatric distinct part units by provider number xx-Sxxx, and psychiatric units in a critical access hospital by provider number xx-Mxxx.

- Payment can be affected when an acute inpatient prospective payment hospital transfers a patient to a psychiatric hospital because psychiatric hospitals are included in the post-acute care transfer policy.

Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3364.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (CR3364) regarding this change may be viewed at

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