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*Indian Health Service (IHS) or Tribal Hospitals Including Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) Payment Methodology for Inpatient Social Admissions and Outpatient Services Rendered at a Separate Facility*

### Key Words

MM3452, CR3452, IHS, Tribal, Hospital, CAH, Social, Admissions

### Provider Types Affected

IHS or Tribal Hospitals, including CAHs

### Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is April 1, 2005.
- The implementation date is April 4, 2005.
- The IHS or Tribal Hospitals (including CAHs) often submit a Type of Bill (TOB) 12X for social admissions.
- Social admissions stays do not qualify for any payment on either 11x or 12x TOB.
- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) policy is as follows:
  - When a 12X TOB from an IHS/ Tribal facility (including CAHs) covers the same time period as 1) a 13X TOB received from another hospital, or 2) a 72X TOB received from a Renal Dialysis Facility:
    - The 12X TOB is presumed to represent a social admission and is disallowed; and
    - The 13X TOB/ 72X TOB will be paid.
  - A social admission stay does not qualify for any payment for the TOBs 11X or 12X.
  - A social admission cannot be used to satisfy the three-day prior stay for skilled nursing facilities.

### Important Links

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3452.pdf>

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R596CP.pdf>