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Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS), Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) and Other Bill Processing Changes Related to the IPPS Final Rule

Keywords

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Provider Types Affected

Hospitals (IPPS and LTCH)

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is October 1, 2004.
- The implementation date is October 4, 2004.
- Change request (CR) 3459 addresses changes for IPPS hospitals for FY 2005, new Grouper and Diagnosis Related Groups (DRG) changes for hospitals paid under the LTCH PPS, and the Hospital within Hospital (HwH) Provision.
- The changes for FY 2005 were published in the Federal Register on August 11, 2004.
- All items covered in CR3459 are effective for hospital discharges occurring on or after October 1, 2004, unless otherwise noted.
- CR3459 has been updated by CR3672.
- CR3672 includes Attachment 2 which contains the following:
 - Changes to hospitals that require a Special Wage Index (file position 155-160).
 - Blended wage indexes, hold harmless wage indexes, other special wage index exceptions that have changed since CR3459 was released; and
 - Providers who are located in Core-Based Statistical Areas (CBSAs) listed in Attachment 1.
- Other LTCH policy changes are covered under CR3335, CR3279 and CR3391.

- The following is a list of the areas in which key changes were made:
 - International Classification of Diseases, 9th Revision, Clinical Modification
 - Furnished Software (Groupers; Outpatient Code Editor; and Medicare Code Editor)
 - IPPS Pricer 05.0 Changes
 - Low Volume Hospitals
 - Hospital Quality Initiative
 - Core-Based Statistical Area
 - Disproportionate Share Adjustment for Urban to Rural Providers
 - Capital PPS Payment to Hospitals Previously Reclassified for the Operating PPS Standardized Amounts
 - Geographic Classification and Definition of Large Urban Area under the Capital PPS
 - LTCH PPS Cost-To-Charge Ratios
 - LTCH Pricer, DRGs, and Relative Weights
 - LTCH Hospital Within Hospital (HwH) Provision
 - Capital PPS Payment to Hospitals Located in Puerto Rico
- The specific changes made to the above items may be found on pages 2 through 9 in MLN Matters article MM3459.

Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3459.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (CR3459) regarding this change may be viewed at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R309CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

To access MM3279 and CR3279 providers may go to

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