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Full Replacement of CR 3308, Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) Changes to Allow for Provider Liability Days on Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) and Swing Bed Facility Inpatient Bills

Key Words

MM3568, CR3568, R378CP, FISS, CR3308, 21x, 18x, 0022, HIPPS, OSC, 77, SNF, SB

Provider Types Affected

Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and Swing Bed Facilities billing fiscal intermediaries (FI) for provider liability days

Key Points

- The effective date of instruction is January 1, 2005.
- The implementation date is January 3, 2005.
- MLN Matters article MM3568 clarifies the procedures to allow for provider liability days on the SNF and Swing Bed Facility Inpatient Bills.
- The Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) used by Medicare requires the sum of all the covered units reported on all revenue code 0022 lines to match the covered days field reported on the claim.
- FISS will be modified to allow the sum of all the covered units reported on all revenue code 0022 lines to equal the covered days reported on the claim **minus** the number of days reported in the occurrence span code (OSC) 77.
- For proper reimbursement, the provider liability days billed under an OSC 77 must not be counted in the covered units field for the Health Insurance Prospective Payment System (HIPPS) code reported on revenue code 0022 lines.
- The sum of all covered units reported on all revenue code 0022 lines should be equal to the covered days field minus the number of days reported in an OSC 77, for types of bill 21x (SNF inpatient) and 18x (Swing Bed inpatient).
- Some FIs have been holding types of bill 18x or 21x with days reported under an OSC 77 because of this problem. These intermediaries will release and process these claims, upon this correction.

Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3568.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instructions (CR3568) issued regarding this change can be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R378CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

If providers/suppliers have questions, they may contact their intermediary at their toll-free number, which may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.