



Correction of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) Pricer

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PROVIDER TYPE AFFECTED

This MLN Matters article is for inpatient hospitals located in a county that is on the list to receive an outmigration adjustment in 2018 billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries, which are subject to the Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS).

PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED

CR11208 informs the Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) maintainer to install a corrected IPPS Pricer program. It also requires MACs to adjust claims for IPPS hospitals located in a county that is on the list to receive an outmigration adjustment in 2018 to correct inaccurate payments. The CR does not contain new policy. It ensures correct payment of affected claims. Make sure your billing staffs are aware of these changes.

BACKGROUND

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recently learned that FY 2018 claims from hospitals eligible for an outmigration adjustment did not get correct reimbursement.

Once the MACs install the revised IPPS Pricer, they will reprocess claims meeting all the following criteria:

- From an IPPS Inpatient Hospital
- Have a discharge date on or after October 1, 2017, through September 30, 2018
- Belong to a provider located in a county that's on the list to receive an outmigration adjustment in 2018
- Submitted after the October 2018 IPPS Pricer went into production

MACs will start these adjustments within 60 days of installation of the revised 2019 IPPS Pricer.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, CR11208, issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/2019Downloads/R4272CP.pdf>.

If you have questions, your MACs may have more information. Find their website at <http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list>.

DOCUMENT HISTORY

Date of Change	Description
March 29, 2019	Initial article released.

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