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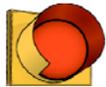
2005 Annual Update for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing for the Common Working File (CWF) and Medicare Carriers

Note: This article was updated on May 12, 2013, to reflect current Web addresses. All other information remains unchanged.

Provider Types Affected

Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs)

Provider Action Needed



STOP – Impact to You

The 2005 update for SNF Consolidated Billing (CB) is available. These codes are used in applying the SNF CB edits that only allow services that are excluded from CB to be separately paid by Medicare carriers.



CAUTION – What You Need to Know

These new code files are posted at <http://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Billing/SNFConsolidatedBilling/index.html> on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website.



GO – What You Need to Do

The edits for claims received for beneficiaries in both Part A SNF stays and covered and non-covered Part A SNF stays allow services that are excluded from consolidated billing to be separately paid by the carrier.

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Additional Information

The official instruction issued to your carrier regarding this change may be found by going to <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/downloads/R328CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

For additional information relating to this issue, please contact your carrier at their toll free number, which may be found at <http://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/provider-compliance-interactive-map/index.html> on the CMS website.

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