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## Change in the Long Descriptor for HCPCS Code Q4080

**Note:** This article was updated on October 26, 2012, to reflect current Web addresses. All other information remains unchanged.

### Provider Types Affected

Physicians, suppliers, and providers billing Medicare carriers, including durable medical equipment regional carriers (DMERCs) and/or fiscal intermediaries (FIs), including regional home health intermediaries (RHHIs), for services related to ILOPROST inhalation treatment of Medicare beneficiaries.

### Provider Action Needed

This article is based on Change Request (CR) 4324, which provides information on the revised code dosage descriptor for Q4080. This is a non-systems change CR.

### Background

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) established Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code Q4080 that was effective July 1, 2005, with a code descriptor that read:

**“ILOPROST, INHALATION SOLUTION, ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, 20 MICROGRAMS.”**

Effective January 1, 2006, the long code descriptor for HCPCS code Q4080 will read:

**“ILOPROST, INHALATION SOLUTION, ADMINISTERED THROUGH DME, UP TO 20 MCG.”**

The short descriptor for HCPCS code Q4080 will continue to read:

**“Iloprost inhalation solution.”**

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CR4324 provides clarification on the change in the long descriptor for HCPCS code Q4080 effective January 1, 2006.

## Additional Information

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For complete details, please see the official instruction issued to your carrier/DMERC/intermediary/RHHI regarding this change. That instruction may be viewed at <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/downloads/R2090TN.pdf> on the CMS website.

If you have any questions, please contact your carrier/DMERC/intermediary/RHHI 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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