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## Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS) for Oncology Treatment Payment Adjustment

### Provider Types Affected

Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities (IPFs) submitting claims to Medicare Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs) or Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs) for oncology treatment services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

### Provider Action Needed

This article is based on Change Request (CR) 5470 which states that an oncology adjustment factor should be applied when the oncology procedure code appears in either the principal procedure code field or any of the other procedure code fields. However, the adjustment may not have been applied to some claims. **Be sure your billing staff is aware of this issue and takes appropriate action as noted in this article.**

### Background

Currently, the Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (IPF) Prospective Payment System (PPS) Pricer program receives only the 'other' procedure codes from Medicare's Fiscal Intermediary Standard System (FISS). Therefore, if a radiation or chemotherapy procedure code appears in the principal procedure code field, the claim will not receive the Oncology Treatment payment adjustment.

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The IPF PPS provides a comorbidity adjustment of 1.07 for Oncology Treatment, and in order to receive this adjustment, a claim must have:

- An ICD-9-CM code in the range from 1400 through 2399, and
- A procedure code 99.25 (chemotherapy) or 92.21 through 92.29 (radiation).

CR 5470 states that the FISS will pass the IPF PPS Pricer all procedure codes, including the principal procedure code and allow this capability back to January 1, 2005 (the implementation date of the IPF PPS).

The oncology adjustment factor should be applied when the oncology procedure code appears in either the principal procedure code field or any of the other procedure code fields.

If an IPF believes that they are entitled to a comorbidity adjustment for Oncology Treatment, the IPF should resubmit their claim after July 1, 2007, so that they may be reimbursed accurately. Timely filing rules will not apply to claims re-submitted by IPFs as a result of this issue.

## Additional Information

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The official instruction, CR5470, issued to FIs and A/B MACs regarding this change may be viewed at <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/downloads/R1170CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

If you have any questions, please contact your FI or A/B MAC 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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