

Program Memorandum Intermediaries/Carriers

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SUBJECT: Correction to April Quarterly Update for 2001 Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Fee Schedule

This Program Memorandum (PM) is a follow up to PM AB-01-03, dated January 12, 2001, Change Request 1488. The DMEPOS fee schedule files that were made available to the carriers and intermediaries on February 12, 2001, were incorrect for codes A4561, A6023, A7501, K0447, K0449, K0541, K0543, K0544, K0550, L3760, L8040 through L8047, L8049, and L8606. In addition, the fee schedule amounts for codes E0753, E0756, E0757, and E0758 were revised to correct inconsistencies in the base fee, gap-filling calculations. The files have been corrected and are now available. The corrected filenames for the carriers and intermediaries are:

Carriers - MU00.@BF12393.DMEPOS01.V0221

Intermediaries - MU00.@BF12393.DMEPOS01.QTR2B.V0221.FIRHHI

Carriers and intermediaries are to follow all instructions contained in the previous PM (AB-01-03) but are to replace the files referenced in the previous PM (AB-01-03) with the files listed above.

The fee schedules are effective for claims with dates of service on or after January 1, 2001. Do not adjust any previously processed claims unless they are resubmitted by the supplier. In no case should you adjust claims with dates of service prior to January 1, 2001.

The *effective date* for this PM is January 1, 2001.

The *implementation date* for this PM is April 1, 2001.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after April 1, 2002.

Any questions regarding these instructions should be directed to Joel Kaiser on (410) 786-4499.