

The CMS Quarterly Provider Update JULY 2012

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09/28/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 430, entitled “General Update to Chapter 15 of the Program Integrity Manual (PIM) – Part VIII,” was released. This regulation affects Ambulances, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Medicare Advantage, Non-Physician Practitioners, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Organ Procurement Organizations, Physicians, Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 430](#)

Transmittal 453, entitled “Restricted Grants Offset,” was released. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 453](#)

Transmittal 454, entitled “Donations to a Provider of Produce,” was released. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 454](#)

Transmittal 2553, entitled “New Waived Tests,” was released. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2553](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-3264-FN, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Approval of the American Osteopathic Association/Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program (AOA/HFAP) Application for Continuing CMS-Approval of Its Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Accreditation Program,” was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

View CMS-3264-FN

CMS-4158-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Medicare Appeals; Adjustment to the Amount in Controversy Threshold Amounts for Calendar Year 2013," was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View CMS-4158-N

09/14/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 2542, entitled "2013 Annual Update of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Codes for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) Update," was released. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View the complete text of Transmittal 2542

09/05/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-0040-F, entitled "Administrative Simplification: Adoption of a Standard for a Unique Health Plan Identifier; Addition to the National Provider Identifier Requirements; and a Change to the Compliance Date for the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Edition (ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS) Medical Data Code Sets," was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View CMS-0040-F

09/04/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-0044-F, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Electronic Health Record Incentive Program--Stage 2," was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View CMS-0044-F

08/31/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1588-F, entitled "Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Fiscal Year 2013 Rates; Hospitals' Resident Caps for Graduate Medical Education Payment Purposes; Quality Reporting Requirements for Specific Providers and for Ambulatory Surgical Centers," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

View CMS-1588-F

CMS-3274-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Meeting of the Medicare Evidence Development and Coverage Advisory Committee--November 14, 2012," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

View CMS-3274-N

08/30/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-9995-IFC2, entitled "Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan Program," was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

[View CMS-9995-IFC2](#)

08/24/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1452-NC, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Announcement of Application From a Hospital Requesting Waiver for Organ Procurement Service Area," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View CMS-1452-NC](#)

CMS-1596-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Solicitation of Two Nominations to the Advisory Panel on Hospital Outpatient Payment," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View CMS-1596-N](#)

CMS-3258-FN, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Continued Approval of Det Norske Veritas Healthcare's (DNVHC's) Hospital Accreditation Program," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View CMS-3258-FN](#)

CMS-4166-FN, entitled "Medicare Program; Approved Renewal of Deeming Authority of the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, Inc. for Medicare Advantage Health Maintenance Organizations and Local Preferred Provider Organizations," was published. This regulation affects Medicare Advantage.

[View CMS-4166-FN](#)

08/20/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2385-CN, entitled "Medicaid Program; State Allotments for Payment of Medicare Part B Premiums for Qualifying Individuals (QIs) for FY 2012," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

[View CMS-2385-CN](#)

CMS-3273-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Request for Nominations for Members for the Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Committee," was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers and is a Meeting Notice.

[View CMS-3273-N](#)

08/17/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 2519, entitled "New Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) Consistency Edit to Validate Attending Physician NPI," was released. This regulation affects Ambulances, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospice, Hospital,

Organ Procurements, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2519](#)

Transmittal 2520, entitled "Update-Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS) Fiscal Year (FY) 2013," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2520](#)

Transmittal 2521, entitled "Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC), Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC), and Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) and PC Print Update was released. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2521](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-9074-N, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—April Through June 2012," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

[View CMS-9074-N](#)

08/10/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 2516, entitled "New Non-Physician Specialty Code for Centralized Flu," was released. This regulation affects Ambulances, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospice, Hospital, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Medicare Advantage, Non-Physician Practitioners, Organ Procurements, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Religious Non-Medical Health Centers, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2516](#)

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 2518, entitled "Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) Annual Update Prospective Payment System (PPS) Pricer Changes for FY 2013," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2518](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-0028-IFC, entitled "Administrative Simplification: Adoption of Operating Rules for Health Care Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT) and Remittance Advice Transactions, was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

[View CMS-0028-IFC](#)

08/07/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1440-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System--Update for Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2012 (FY 2013), was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View CMS-1440-N](#)

08/03/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 144, entitled "Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation (TENS) for Chronic Low Back Pain (CLBP)," was released. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 144](#)

Transmittal 145, entitled "National Coverage Determination (NCD) for Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR)," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 145](#)

Transmittal 146, entitled "Liver Transplantation for Patients with Malignancies," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 146](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-6042-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Prior Authorization for Power Mobility Device (PMD) Demonstration", was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers and Suppliers.

[View CMS-6042-N](#)

08/02/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 2507, entitled "Medicare Part A Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Prospective Payment System (PPS) Pricer Update FY 2013," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2507](#)

Transmittal 2508, entitled "Claims Status Category and Claim Status Codes Update," was released. This regulation affects Ambulances, Community Mental Health Centers, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Medicare Advantage, Non-Physician Practitioners, Organ Procurement Organizations, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Religious Non-Medical Health Centers, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2508](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1432-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2013", was published. This regulation affects SNF's.

[View CMS-1432-N](#)

07/30/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1433-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2013", was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View CMS-1433-N](#)

CMS-1589-P, entitled "Hospital Outpatient Prospective and Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Systems and Quality Reporting Programs; Electronic Reporting Pilot; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities Quality Reporting Program; Quality Improvement Organization Regulations", was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers and Hospitals.

[View CMS-1589-P](#)

CMS-1590-P, entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule, DME Face to Face Encounters, Elimination of the Requirement for Termination of Non-Random Prepayment Complex Medical Review and Other Revisions to Part B for CY 2013; Hospital Outpatient Prospective and Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Systems and Quality Reporting Programs; Electronic Reporting Pilot; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities Quality Reporting Program; Quality Improvement Organization Regulations; Proposed Rules", was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

[View CMS-1590-P](#)

07/27/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 10, entitled "Physician Quality Reporting System and Electronic Prescribing (eRx) Incentive Program - Pub 100-22 Medicare Quality reporting Incentive Programs Manual Update," was released. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 10](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1434-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Hospice Wage Index for Fiscal Year 2013", was published. This regulation affects Hospices.

[View CMS-1434-N](#)

CMS-3259-FN, entitled "Medicare Program; Application by the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) for Continued Recognition as a National Accreditation Organization for Accrediting Entities To Furnish Outpatient Diabetes Self-Management Training", was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

[View CMS-3259-FN](#)

07/24/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2383-N, entitled "Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP); Final Allotments to States, the District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories and

Commonwealths for Fiscal Year 2012”, was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

[View CMS-2383-N](#)

CMS-2384-N, entitled “Medicaid Program; Disproportionate Share Hospital Allotments and Institutions for Mental Diseases Disproportionate Share Hospital Limits for FYs 2010, 2011, and Preliminary FY 2012 Disproportionate Share Hospital Allotments and Limits”, was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

[View CMS-2384-N](#)

CMS-2385-N, entitled “Medicaid Program; State Allotments for Payment of Medicare Part B Premiums for Qualifying Individuals (QIs) for FY 2012”, was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

[View CMS-2385-N](#)

07/20/2012

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 2496, entitled “New Waived Tests,” was released. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2496](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-9965-F, entitled “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Data Collection To Support Standards Related to Essential Health Benefits; Recognition of Entities for the Accreditation of Qualified Health Plans”, was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

[CMS-9965-F](#)

07/13/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1358-P, entitled “Medicare Program; Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update for Calendar Year 2013, Hospice Quality Reporting Requirements, and Survey and Enforcement Requirements for Home Health Agencies”, was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

[View CMS-1358-P](#)

07/11/2012

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1352-P, entitled “Medicare Program; End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System, Quality Incentive Program, and Bad Debt Reductions for All Medicare Providers”, was published. This regulation affects Renal Dialysis Facilities.

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