

**The CMS Quarterly Provider Update
OCTOBER 2013**

What's New

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12/31/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-9957-CN entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Program Integrity: Exchange, Premium Stabilization Programs, and Market Standards; Amendments to the HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2014 Correction" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-9957-CN

12/27/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-3178-P entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Emergency Preparedness Requirements for Medicare and Medicaid Participating Providers and Suppliers" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers and Suppliers.

CMS-3178-P

CMS-1454-F entitled "Medicare Program; Physicians' Referrals to Health Care Entities With Which They Have Financial Relationships: Exception for Certain Electronic Health Records Arrangements" was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

CMS-1454-F

CMS-6055-P entitled "Medicare Program; Right of Appeal for Medicare Secondary Payer Determination Relating to Liability Insurance (Including Self-Insurance), No Fault Insurance, and Workers' Compensation Laws and Plans" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-6055-P

12/23/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-2380-PN entitled "Basic Health Program: Proposed Federal Funding Methodology for Program Year 2015" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers and Suppliers.

CMS-2380-PN

CMS-9953-FN entitled "Health Insurance Exchanges; Approval of an Application by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) To Be a Recognized Accrediting Entity for the Accreditation of Qualified Health Plans" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers and Suppliers.

CMS-9953-FN

12/18/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-3180-N3 entitled "Pilot Program for Parallel Review of Medical Products; Extension of the Duration of the Program" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers and Suppliers.

CMS-3180-N3

12/17/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-9945-IFC entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Maximizing January 1, 2014 Coverage Opportunities" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-9945-IFC

12/13/2013

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 492 entitled "Additional Updates to Chapter 15 of the Program Integrity Manual (PIM)" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View the complete text of Transmittal 492

Transmittal 495 entitled "Recalcitrant Provider Procedures" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View the complete text of Transmittal 495

Transmittal 2835 entitled "Quarterly Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Home Health Consolidated Billing Enforcement" was published. This regulation affects Non Physician Practitioners, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Home Health Agencies and Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities.

View the complete text of Transmittal 2835

Transmittal 2837 entitled "Change to the Reasonable Charge Update for 2014 for Splints, Casts and Certain Intraocular Lenses" was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

View the complete text of Transmittal 2837

12/11/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-6061-ANPRM entitled "Medicare Program; Medicare Secondary Payer and Certain Civil Money Penalties" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-6061-ANPRM

12/10/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-1600-FC entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule, Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule & Other Revisions to Part B for CY 2014" was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

CMS-1600-FC

CMS-1601-FC entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment and Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Systems and Quality Reporting Programs; Hospital Value-Based Purchasing Program; Organ Procurement Organizations; Quality Improvement Organizations; Electronic health Records (EHR) Incentive program; Provider Reimbursement Determinations and Appeals" was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers and Hospitals.

CMS-1601-FC

12/06/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-1463-N entitled "Medicare Program; Semi-Annual Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Hospital Outpatient Payment (HOP Panel) March 10-11, 2014" was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

CMS-1463-N

12/02/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-1450-F entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update for CY 2014, Home Health Quality Reporting Requirements, and Cost Allocation of Home Health Survey Expenses" was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

CMS-1450-F

CMS-1526-F entitled "Medicare Program; End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System, Quality Incentive Program, and Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies" was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies and Renal Dialysis Facilities.

CMS-1526-F

CMS-6051-N entitled "Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Programs; Provider Enrollment Application Fee Amount for Calendar year 2014" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-6051-N

CMS-9954-P entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2015" was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies and Renal Dialysis Facilities.

CMS-9954-P

11/29/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-3285-FN entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Continued Approval of American Osteopathic Association/Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program's Critical Access Hospital Accreditation Program" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-3285-FN

CMS-1604-N entitled "Medicare Program; Town Hall Meeting on FY 2015 Applications for New Medicare Services and Technology Add-On Payments" was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

CMS-1604-N

11/25/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-3288-NC entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Exchanges and Qualified Health Plans, Quality Rating System (QRS), Framework Measures and Methodology" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-3288-NC

11/22/2013

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 1320 entitled "Revised Beneficiary Liability and Messages Associated with Denials for Claims for Services Furnished to Incarcerated Beneficiaries" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

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Transmittal 2823 entitled "Calendar year (CY) 2014 Annual Update for Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule and Laboratory Services Subject to Reasonable Charge Payment" was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

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Transmittal 2824 entitled "New Influenza Virus Vaccine Code" was published. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

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11/15/2013

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 157 entitled "Bariatric Surgery for Treatment of Co-Morbid Conditions Related to Morbid Obesity" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

View the complete text of Transmittal 157

Transmittal 1316 entitled "Implement Operating Rules – Phase III ERA EFT: CORE 360 Uniform use of Claim Adjustment Reason Codes (CARC) and Remittance Advice Remark Codes (RARC) Rule – Update from CAQH CORE –

October 1, 2013 version 3.0.3” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1316](#)

Transmittal 2815 entitled “Updates to the Medicare Claim Processing Internet – Only Manual (IOM)” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

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Transmittal 2817 entitled “Quarterly Update to the Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) Edits, Version 20.0, Effective January 1, 2014” was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 2817](#)

11/13/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-4140-F entitled “Final Rules Under the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008; Technical Amendment to External Review for Multi-State Plan Program” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

[CMS-4140-F](#)

11/08/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-9081-N entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances--July Through September 2013” was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

[CMS-9081-N](#)

11/06/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-9964-F3 entitled “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2014; Correcting Amendment” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

[CMS-9964-F3](#)

11/05/2013

REGULATIONS(S) RELEASED

CMS-3110-FN entitled “Medicare & Medicaid Programs: Application From the Accreditation Commission for Health Care for Continued CMS-Approval of Its Hospice Accreditation Program” was published. This regulation affects Hospice.

[CMS-3110-FN](#)

11/01/2013

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1462-N entitled “Medicare Program; Solicitation of Five Nominations to the Advisory Panel on Hospital Outpatient Payment (HOP, the Panel)” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-1462-N

10/30/2013

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-8053-F entitled “Medicare Program; Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts for CY 2014” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-8053-N

CMS-8054-F entitled “Medicare Program; Part A Premiums for CY 2014 for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who have Exhausted Other Entitlement” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-8054-N

CMS-8055-F entitled “Medicare Program; Medicare Part B Monthly Actuarial Rates, Premium Rate, and Annual Deductible Beginning January 1, 2014” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-8055-N

CMS-9957-F2; CMS-9964-F3 entitled “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Program Integrity; Exchange, Premium Stabilization Programs, and Market Standards; Amendments to the HHS Notice of Benefit and payment Parameters for 2014” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

CMS-9957-F2; CMS-9964-F3

10/29/2013

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-3302-F entitled “Medicare Program; Conditions of Participation (CoPs) for Community Mental Health Centers” was published. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers.

CMS-3302-F

10/25/2013

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 2800 entitled “Announcement of Medicare Rural Health Clinic (RHC) and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) Payment Rate Increase” was published. This regulation affects Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Centers.

View the complete text of Transmittal 2800

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-3286-PN entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application from the Joint Commission for Continued Approval of Its Home Health Agency (HHA) Accreditation Program” was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

CMS-3286-PN

CMS-3289-N entitled “Medicare Program; Request for Nominations for Members for the Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Committee” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-3289-N

10/18/2013

INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 172 entitled “Home Health Clarification to Benefit Policy Manual Language on Confined to the Home Definition” was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

View the complete text of Transmittal 172

10/03/2013

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1599-IFC entitled “Medicare Program; FY 2014 Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems; Changes to Certain Cost Reporting Procedures Related to Disproportionate Share Hospital Uncompensated Care Payments” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-1599-IFC

CMS-1599-CN2 entitled “Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Fiscal Year 2014 Rates; Quality Reporting Requirements for Specific Providers; Hospital Conditions of Participation; Payment Policies Related to Patient Status; Corrections” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-1599-CN2

CMS-1446-CN entitled “Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2014; Correction” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

CMS-1446-CN

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