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REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2275-F2, entitled “Medicaid Program; Health Care-Related Taxes," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid. View CMS-2275-F2

CMS-2287-F2; CMS-2213-F2; CMS-2237-F, entitled “Medicaid Program: Rescission of School-Based Administration/Transportation Final Rule, Outpatient Hospital Services Final Rule, and Partial Rescission of Case Management Interim Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid. View CMS-2287-F2; CMS-2213-F2; CMS-2237-F

06/26/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 295, entitled “Revision to Certain Instructions Related to Provider Enrollment Deactivations and Revocations" was published. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians. View the complete text of Transmittal 295

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2302-PN, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the Joint Commission for Continued Deeming Authority for Hospitals," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals. View CMS-2302-PN

CMS-2476-PN, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities for Continued Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers. View CMS-2476-PN

CMS-2896-FN2, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Approval of the Joint Commission's Continued Deeming Authority for Critical Access Hospitals,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.
CMS-9052-N, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances--January Through March 2009,” was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2296-ANPRM, entitled “Medicaid Program; Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 507, entitled “Jurisdiction 13 A/B MAC Merge of the three Part B New York and the Part B Connecticut CICS Production and User Acceptance Test Regions” was published. This regulation affects Ambulances, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 440, entitled “Section 2231, Regional Medicare Swing-Bed Rates” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

Transmittal 1758, entitled “Correction to Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Medicare Severity Long- Term Care Diagnosis-Related Group (MS-LTC-DRG) Weights” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 291, entitled “Reassignment and Ambulatory surgical Centers (ASCs)” was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 153, entitled “Implementation of the Redesigned Provider and Statistical and Reimbursement (PS & R) System” was published. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Hospices, Hospitals and Organ Procurements.
Transmittal 1756, entitled “Claim status Category Code and Claim Status Code Update” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1756

06/05/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 1749, entitled “Revised billing Instructions for Occurrence Span Code 74 on skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) No Payment Claims” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1749

Transmittal 1750, entitled “October Quarterly Update to the 2009 Annual Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) Enforcement” was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1750

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 47, entitled “Correct Appendix A revision” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

View the complete text of Transmittal 47

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 1751, entitled “New Waived Tests” was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1751

Transmittal 1752, entitled “Addition/Deletion of HCPCS Codes--July 2009 Quarterly Update" was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians and Rural Health Clinics.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1752

Transmittal 1754, entitled “July Quarterly Update for 2009 Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Suppliers (DMEPOS) Fee Schedule” was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1754

06/03/2009

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1337-IFC, entitled “Medicare Program; Revision to FY 2009 Medicare Severity-Long-Term Care Diagnosis-Related Group (MS-LTC-DRG) Weights,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

View CMS-1337-IFC

CMS-1406-P2, entitled “Medicare Program; Proposed Rate Year (RY) 2010 Medicare Severity- Long-Term Care Diagnosis-Related Group (MS-LTC-DRG)
Relative Weights and High-Cost Outlier Fixed-Loss Amount," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.  
View CMS-1406-P2

05/29/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 499, entitled “Placing Medicare Florida Fraud Hotline Number on Florida Zip Code Medicare Summary Notices” was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.  
View the complete text of Transmittal 499

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 1748, entitled “July Update to the 2009 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFDB)” was published. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.  
View the complete text of Transmittal 1748

05/26/2009

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2487-PN, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the American Osteopathic Association for Continued Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers,” was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Hospitals and Physicians.  
View CMS-2487-PN

05/22/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 1747, entitled “Beneficiary-Submitted Claims” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.  
View the complete text of Transmittal 1747

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED - CORRECTION

Transmittal 497, entitled “Payment for Maintenance and Servicing of Certain Oxygen Equipment as a Result of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) of 2008” was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.  
View the complete text of Transmittal 497

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 1740, entitled “July 2009 Update to the ASC Payment System; Summary of Payment Policy Changes” was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.  
View the complete text of Transmittal 1740

Transmittal 1741, entitled “Update-Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System (IPF PPS) Rate Year 2010” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.
View the complete text of Transmittal 1741

Transmittal 1745, entitled “July 2009 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.
View the complete text of Transmittal 1745

Transmittal 1746, entitled “Quarterly Update to Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) Edits, Version 15.2, Effective July 1, 2009” was published. This regulation affects Physicians.
View the complete text of Transmittal 1746

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1406-P, entitled “Medicare Program; Proposed Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and Fiscal Year 2010 Rates and to the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System and Rate Year 2010 Rates,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.
View CMS-1406-P

CMS-1407-N, entitled “Medicare Program; Public Meeting in Calendar Year 2009 for New Clinical Laboratory Tests Payment Determinations,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice and affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.
View CMS-1407-N

CMS-2900-PN, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the Community Health Accreditation Program for Continued Deeming Authority for Hospices,” was published. This regulation affects Hospices.
View CMS-2900-PN

CMS-7014-N, entitled “Medicare Program; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education, July 8, 2009,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.
View CMS-7014-N

05/15/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 1735, entitled “Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for July 2009” was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Hospitals, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Non-Physician Practitioners and Skilled Nursing Facilities.
View the complete text of Transmittal 1735

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 1734, entitled “Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC) Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC) and Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) Update” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.
View the complete text of Transmittal 1734
Transmittal 1739, entitled “July 2009 Integrated Outpatient Code Editor (I/OCE) Specifications Version 10.2” was published. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1739

05/12/2009

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1410-P, entitled “Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2010; Minimum Data Set, Version 3.0 for Skilled Nursing Facilities and Medicaid Nursing Facilities,” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View CMS-1410-P

05/08/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 492, entitled “Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) Claims with Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Group (MS-DRG) 956” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

View the complete text of Transmittal 492

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – CORRECTION

Transmittal 1729, entitled “Section 148 of The Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA)” was published. This regulation affects Federally Qualified Health Centers, Hospitals and Rural Health Clinics.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1729

Transmittal 1733, entitled “Manual Clarifications for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) and Therapy Billing” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1733

05/06/2009

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2275-P2, entitled “Medicaid Program; Health Care-Related Taxes,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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CMS-2287-P2, entitled “Medicaid Program: Rescission of School-Based Services Final Rule, Outpatient Services Definition Final Rule, and Partial Rescission of Case Management Services Interim Final Rule,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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CMS-2213-P2, entitled “Medicaid Program: Rescission of School-Based Services Final Rule, Outpatient Services Definition Final Rule, and Partial Rescission of
Case Management Services Interim Final Rule,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.
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CMS-2237-P, entitled “Medicaid Program: Rescission of School-Based Services Final Rule, Outpatient Services Definition Final Rule, and Partial Rescission of Case Management Services Interim Final Rule,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.
View CMS-2237-P

CMS-1538-P, entitled “Medicare Program; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2010,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.
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05/01/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED

Transmittal R487OTN, entitled “Modification of the CWF Copybook to Transmit "WC" Qualifier Alpha Codes” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.
View the complete text of Transmittal 487

Transmittal R1723CP, entitled “Ensuring Only Clinical Trial Services Receive Fee-For-Service Payment on Claims Billed for Managed Care Beneficiaries” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.
View the complete text of Transmittal 1723

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1495-NC, entitled “Medicare Program; Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System Payment Update for Rate Year Beginning July 1, 2009 (RY 2010); Notice,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.
View CMS-1495-NC

CMS-2303-N, entitled “Establishment of the Children's Health Insurance Program Working Group and Request for Nominations for Members,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.
View CMS-2303-N

04/28/2009

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-4140-NC, entitled “Request for Information Regarding the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.
View CMS-4140-NC

04/24/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED
Transmittal R471OTN, entitled “Revision to Processing Hospice Visit Charges on Remittance Advices and Medicare Summary Notices (MSNs),” was published. This regulation affects Hospices.

View the complete text of Transmittal 471

Transmittal R480OTN, entitled “Expansion of the Current Scope of Editing for Ordering/Referring Providers for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplier (DMEPOS) Suppliers Claims Process by Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractors (DMEMACs),” was published. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

View the complete text of Transmittal 480

Transmittal R1713CP, entitled “Additional Data Collection on Hospice Claims,” was published. This regulation affects Hospices.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1713

Transmittal R1714CP, entitled “Correction to Editing of Health Insurance Prospective Payment System (HIPPS) Codes on Home Health Prospective Payment System (HH PPS) Claims,” was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1714

Transmittal R1718CP, entitled “New Patient Discharge Status Code 21 to Define Discharges or Transfers to Court/Law Enforcement,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1718

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – CLARIFICATION

Transmittal R105BP, entitled “List of Medicare Telehealth Services,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians and Renal Dialysis Facilities.

View the complete text of Transmittal 105

Transmittal R106BP, entitled “Speech-Language Pathology private Practice Payment Policy,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

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Transmittal R1719CP, entitled “Rural Health Clinic (RHC) and Federally Qualified Health Clinic (FQHC) Updates,” was published. This regulation affects Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1719

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1420-P, entitled “Medicare Program; Proposed Hospice Wage Index for Fiscal Year 2010,” was published. This regulation affects Hospices.

View CMS-1420-P

CMS-1563-N, entitled “Medicare Program; Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council, June 1, 2009,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

View CMS-1563-N
CMS-2198-F2, entitled “Medicaid Program; Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments; Correcting Amendment,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Medicaid. View CMS-2198-F2

CMS-2299-PN, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application of the American Osteopathic Association for Continued Deeming Authority for Hospitals,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals. View CMS-2299-PN

CMS-4139-N, entitled “Medicare Program; Recognition of NAIC Model Standards for Regulation of Medicare Supplemental Insurance,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers. View CMS-4139-N

04/17/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – CLARIFICATION

Transmittal R100NCD, entitled “Surgery for Diabetes,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers. View the complete text of Transmittal 100

Transmittal R1711CP, entitled “Surgery for Diabetes,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers. View the complete text of Transmittal 1711

04/09/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal R151FM, entitled “Notice of New Interest Rate for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments-3rd Notification for FY 2009,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers. View the complete text of Transmittal 151

04/03/2009

TRANSMITTALS(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal R1708CP, entitled “Hospice Cap Calculations Letters and Administrative Appeals,” was published. This regulation affects Hospices. View the complete text of Transmittal 1708

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2232-F2, entitled “Medicaid Program; State Flexibility for Medicaid Benefit Packages,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid. View CMS-2232-F2
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