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Transmittal No.	Subject	Issue or Publication Date	Implementation Date	Change Request No.	Provider Type	Publication No.	Additional Information
<a href="#">R2243CP</a>	Claim Status Category Code Claim Status Code Update	06/17/2011	10/03/2011	7456	ALL Providers	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2246CP</a>	Medicare Contractor Annual Update of the International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-9-CM)	06/24/2011	10/03/2011	7454	ALL Providers	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2263CP</a>	Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC), Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC), and Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) and PC Print Update	07/29/2011	10/03/2011	7514	ALL Providers	100-04	
<a href="#">R2277CP</a>	October 2011 Integrated Outpatient Code Editor (I/OCE) Specifications Version 12.3	08/19/2011	10/03/2011	7541	ALL Providers	100-04	
<a href="#">R2290CP</a>	October 2011 Update of the Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Payment System	08/26/2011	10/03/2011	7547	ASC	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R76SOMA</a>	Clarifications to Appendix L, Ambulatory Surgical Center Interpretive Guidelines -- Obtaining Consent before Observing Surgical Procedures	12/22/2011	12/22/2011	N/A	ASC	100-07	Clarification

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<a href="#">R882OTN</a>	Adjudication of Laboratory Tests that are Excluded from Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA) Edits	04/22/2011	10/03/2011	7325	CLIA	100-20	
<a href="#">R2244CP</a>	New Waived Tests	06/17/2011	10/03/2011	7435	CLIA	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R915OTN</a>	Additional Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Codes Subject to Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) Edits	07/22/2011	10/03/2011	7513	CLIA	100-20	Clarification
<a href="#">R2257CP</a>	Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for October 2011	07/22/2011	10/03/2011	7507	CLIA	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2283CP</a>	Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule – Medicare Travel Allowance Fees for Collection of Specimens	08/26/2011	12/01/2011	7526	CLIA	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R878OTN</a>	System Changes to VMS to Allow DME MACs to Adjust Claims Denied as a Result of ZPIC Auto-Denial Edits to Pay After an Appeals Decision	04/22/2011	10/03/2011	7276	DMEPOS	100-20	

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<a href="#">R896OTN</a>	Durable Medical Equipment National Competitive Bidding: Correction to Permit Payment for Certain Grandfathered Accessories and Supplies	05/06/2011	10/03/2011	7389	DMEPOS	100-20	
<a href="#">R2225CP</a>	October 2011 Quarterly Update for the DMEPOS Competitive Bidding Program	05/20/2011	10/03/2011	7425	DMEPOS	100-04	
<a href="#">R2255CP</a>	Quarterly Update to the End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System	07/15/2011	10/03/2011	7476	DMEPOS	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R137NCD</a>	Intensive Behavioral Therapy for Cardiovascular Disease	11/23/2011	12/27/2011	7636	FQHC	100-03	Clarification
<a href="#">R138NCD</a>	Screening and Behavioral Counseling Interventions in Primary Care to Reduce Alcohol Misuse	11/23/2011	12/27/2011	7633	FQHC	100-03	Clarification
<a href="#">R139NCD</a>	Screening for Depression in Adults	11/23/2011	12/27/2011	7637	FQHC	100-03	Clarification
<a href="#">R2209CP</a>	Corrections to Home Health Prospective Payment System (HH PPS) Outlier Limitation	05/06/2011	10/03/2011	7395	HHA	100-04	
<a href="#">R388PI</a>	Additional Review Activities for Home Health Agencies (HHAs)	09/16/2011	12/17/2011	7525	HHA	100-08	Clarification
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<a href="#">R2260CP</a>	Update to Hospice Payment Rates, Hospice Cap, Hospice Wage Index and the Hospice Pricer for FY 2012	07/29/2011	10/03/2011	7518	Hospice	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R147BP</a>	Clarification of Evaluations and Management Payment Policy	08/26/2011	12/01/2011	7405	Hospice	100-02	
<a href="#">R2201CP</a>	Section 1833 (a)(1)(F) of the Social Security Act - Payment of Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) in a Method II Critical Access Hospital (CAH)	04/22/2011	10/03/2011	7361	Hospital	100-04	
<a href="#">R2222CP</a>	Pass-through Payment for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Services	05/20/2011	10/03/2011	7379	Hospital	100-04	
<a href="#">R2232CP</a>	Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Optional Method Election for Outpatient Services	05/27/2011	10/03/2011	7404	Hospital	100-04	Clarification
<a href="#">R2237CP</a>	October Quarterly Update to 2011 Annual Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) Enforcement	06/03/2011	10/03/2011	7444	Hospital	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2257CP</a>	Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for October 2011	07/22/2011	10/03/2011	7507	Hospital	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release

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<a href="#">R2275CP</a>	Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) Annual Update: Prospective Payment System (PPS) Pricer Changes for FY 2012	08/12/2011	10/03/2011	7510	Hospital	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2264CP</a>	October 2011 Quarterly Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Files and Revisions to Prior Quarterly Pricing Files	07/29/2011	10/03/2011	7488	Hospital	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2289CP</a>	Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (IPF) PPS Changes	08/26/2011	10/03/2011	7506	Hospital	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2291CP</a>	Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) and Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) PPS Changes	08/26/2011	10/03/2011	7508	Hospital	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R2292CP</a>	Medicare Part A Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Prospective Payment System (PPS) Pricer Update FY 2012	08/26/2011	10/03/2011	7522	Hospital	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
<a href="#">R72SOM (transmittals 1-13), SOMA (transmittals after 14)</a>	Revised Appendix A: Conditions of Participation and Interpretive Guidelines for Hospitals	11/18/2011	11/18/2011	N/A	Hospital	100-07	Clarification

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<a href="#">R77SOMA</a>	Revised Appendix A, Interpretive Guidelines for Hospitals	12/22/2011	12/22/2011	N/A	Hospital	100-07	Clarification
<a href="#">R78SOMA</a>	Revised Appendix A, Interpretive Guidelines for Hospitals, and Revised Appendix W, Interpretive Guidelines for Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs)	12/22/2011	12/22/2011	N/A	Hospital	100-07	Clarification
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<a href="#">R2276CP</a>	October Update to the CY 2011 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB)	08/19/2011	10/03/2011	7528	Non- Physician Practitioners	100-04	
<a href="#">R2264CP</a>	October 2011 Quarterly Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Files and Revisions to Prior Quarterly Pricing Files	07/29/2011	10/03/2011	7488	Non-Physician Practitioners	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release

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<a href="#">R2237CP</a>	October Quarterly Update to 2011 Annual Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) Enforcement	06/03/2011	10/03/2011	7444	Non-Physician Practitioners	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
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<a href="#">R2269CP</a>	Clarification of Payment for ESRD-Related Services Under the Monthly Capitation Payment	08/05/2011	11/07/2011	7520	Non-Physician Practitioners	100-04	
<a href="#">R147BP</a>	Clarification of Evaluations and Management Payment Policy	08/26/2011	12/01/2011	7405	Non-Physician Practitioners	100-02	
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<a href="#">R71DEMO</a>	Clarification to Payment Processing for the Electronic Health Records Demonstration	05/06/2011	10/03/2011	7360	Physician	100-19	

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<a href="#">R2265CP</a>	Quarterly Update to the Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) Edits, Version 17.3, Effective October 1, 2011	07/29/2011	10/03/2011	7511	Physician	100-04	
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<a href="#">R2195CP</a>	ESRD Low Volume Adjustment and Establishing Quarterly Updates to the ESRD PPS	04/22/2011	10/03/2011	7388	RDF	100-04	
<a href="#">R2255CP</a>	Quarterly Update to the End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System	07/15/2011	10/03/2011	7476	RDF	100-04	Mid-Quarter Release
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<a href="#">R2285CP</a>	Attending Physician Identifiers on Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Claims	08/26/2011	12/01/2011	7542	RNHCI	100-04	Clarification
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