Program Memorandum Intermediaries

Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION (HCFA)

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CHANGE REQUEST 1556

SUBJECT: Requirement for Line-Item Dates of Service for Ambulance Claims

Providers must report each one-way ambulance trip on two separate and consecutive revenue code lines (540), one line representing the ambulance service provided and one line representing mileage. Providers are to report line-item dates of service per revenue code line. Both of these line-item dates of service must be the same date. As a result, edit to assure that for each one-way ambulance trip, line-item dates of service for the ambulance service and corresponding mileage are equal.

You should notify your providers of the information contained in this Program Memorandum (PM).

The effective date for this PM is July 1, 2001.

The implementation date for this PM is July 1, 2001.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after June 30, 2002.

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