

**The CMS Quarterly Provider Update
January 2003**

Mid-Quarter Instructions

Listed below are instructions for the October Quarter that will not be released by January 1, 2003. Due to the nature of these routine or recurring items, a full 90-day advance notice could not be given. Unless noted below, these instructions have an implementation date of April 1, 2003.

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SUBJECT	DATE RELEASED
<u>Provider Education Article: "Hospice Care Enhances Dignity and Peace As Life Nears Its End"</u> Transmittal AB-03-040 (PDF - 142 MB)	Released: 03/28/2003 Impl. Date: 04/11/2003
<u>Provider Education Article: Medicare Payments for Part B Mental Health Services</u> Transmittal AB-03-037 (PDF - 151 MB)	Released: 03/28/2003 Impl. Date: 03/28/2003
<u>Reactivation of Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) Outpatient Code Editor (OCE) Edit 15, "Service Unit Out Of Range" and Guidance on Editing for Low Osmolar Contrast Media (LOCM) Procedures</u> Transmittal A-03-019 (PDF - 126 MB)	Released: 03/14/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Provider Education Regarding Home Health Consolidated Billing (HH CB) and Provider Liability</u> Transmittal B-03-021 (PDF - 104 MB)	Released: 03/07/2003 Impl. Date: 03/13/2003
<u>Payment Change for the 2003 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) and Further Extension of the 2003 Participation Enrollment Process</u> Transmittal AB-03-027 (PDF - 104 MB)	Released: 02/28/2003 Impl. Date: 03/01/2003
<u>Addition or Modification of Temporary "K" Codes and Change in Status for Code A4232</u> Transmittal AB-03-031 (PDF - 74.8 MB)	Released: 02/28/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for April 1, 2003</u> Transmittal AB-03-030 (PDF - 102 MB)	Released: 02/28/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Additional Documentation Requests (ADR) Requirements for Ordering Providers of Laboratory Services</u> Transmittal AB-03-021 (PDF - 136 MB)	Released: 02/14/2003 Impl. Date: 07/01/2003
<u>Reinstatement of Hepatitis B Vaccine Codes</u> Transmittal 797, Hospital Manual (PDF - 89.2 MB)	Released: 02/03/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Reinstatement of Hepatitis B Vaccine Codes</u> Transmittal 1874, Intermediary Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process (PDF - 91.2 MB)	Released: 02/03/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Reinstatement of Hepatitis B Vaccine Codes</u>	Released: 02/03/2003

Transmittal 1788, Carriers Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process (PDF - 90.1 MB)	Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>New Waived Tests - December 17, 2002</u> Transmittal AB-03-013 (PDF - 179 MB)	Released: 02/03/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Remittance Advice Remark and Reason Code Update</u> Transmittal AB-03-012 (PDF - 119 MB)	Released: 02/03/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>April Quarterly Update for 2003 Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Fee Schedule</u> Transmittal AB-03-006 (PDF - 93.3 MB)	Released: 01/24/2003 Impl. Date: 07/01/2003
<u>Section 15021, Ordering Diagnostic Tests and Section 15022, Payment Conditions for Radiology Services</u> Transmittal 1787, Medicare Carriers Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process (PDF - 118 MB)	Released: 01/24/2003 Impl. Date: 02/24/2003
<u>Prospective Payment for Outpatient Rehabilitation Services and the Financial Limitation</u> Transmittal 1872, Medicare Intermediary Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process (PDF - 112 MB)	Released: 01/24/2003 Impl. Date: 02/10/2003
<u>Emergency Update to the 2003 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database</u> Transmittal B-03-001 (PDF - 195 MB)	Released: 01/17/2003 Impl. Date: 03/01/2003
<u>Calculating Provider-Specific Medicare Outpatient Cost-to-Charge Ratios (CCRs) and Instructions on Cost Report Treatment of Hospital Outpatient Services Paid on a Reasonable Cost Basis</u> Transmittal A-03-004 (PDF - 123 KB)	Released: 01/17/2003 Impl. Date: 04/30/2003
<u>January Outpatient Code Editor (OCE) Specifications Version (V4.0)</u> Transmittal A-03-003 (PDF - 1.46 MB)	Released: 01/17/2003 Impl. Date: 01/17/2003
<u>Quarterly Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Home Health Consolidated Billing Enforcement</u> Transmittal AB-03-002 (PDF - 87 KB)	Released: 01/10/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Multiple-Seizure Electroconvulsive Therapy</u> Transmittal 166, Coverage Issues Manual (PDF - 87.1 KB)	Released: 01/10/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>Noncoverage of Multiple Electroconvulsive Therapy (MECT)</u> Transmittal AB-03-003 (PDF - 80.9 KB)	Released: 01/10/2003 Impl. Date: 04/01/2003
<u>2003 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)</u> Transmittal A-02-129 (PDF - 256 KB)	Released: 01/03/2003 Impl. Date: 01/06/2003
Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Hospital Outpatient PPS - Quarterly Update { Includes OCE & Pricer }	Not yet released
Electronic Correspondence Referral System (ECRS) Software Quarterly Update	Not yet released
New Zip Code File -- Quarterly Update	Not yet released
ASC APC Rates -- Quarterly Update	Not yet released
SNF Consolidated Billing Update -- Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Clinical Lab Edit Table Update	Not yet released

POS Codeset Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Diabetes Outpatient Self-Management Training	Not yet released
Clarification of Payment Differential Associated with SNF vs. Nursing Facility	Not yet released
Processing Claims for Out-of-State Independent Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories	Not yet released
Processing Laboratory Claims	Not yet released
Application of the MSP for Working Aged	Not yet released
Additional Documentation Recognition (further implementation of CR 2130)	Not yet released
Availability of FY 2001 Deceased Beneficiary Files	Not yet released
Deletion of Section 7032.3B of the Medicare Carriers Manual	Not yet released
Changes to FY 2003 Regulations Concerning Provider Based Status in Accordance with 42 CFR, Section 413.65	Not yet released
Program Integrity Manual, Chapter 3	Not yet released
Medicare Incentive Payments for Physician Care in Underserved Areas	Not yet released
Manualizing Progressive Corrective Action (PCA)	Not yet released
Program Integrity Manual, Chapter 1 Section 5, LPET	Not yet released
Payment for Immunosuppressive Drug Therapy	Not yet released
Medicare Financial Management Manual, Chapter 2 Special One Time Costs Associated with Non-Continuation of the Medicare Contract	Not yet released
Procedures for Granting Extensions to File Requests for Appeal under the New 120-Day Timeframe Created by Section 521 of the Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act (BIPA) of 2000	Not yet released
Payment for Administration of Drug Supplied by Other	Not yet released