

Provider Update –October 2008

Mid-Quarter Instructions-- Routine or Recurring Items

Listed below are instructions for the October Update that will not be released by October 1, 2008. 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 January 5, 2009.

SUBJECT	DATE RELEASED
January 2009 Quarterly Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Files and Revisions to Prior Quarterly Pricing Files Transmittal 1650, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 443 KB]	Rel. Date: 12/19/08 Imp. Date: 01/01/09
Calendar Year (CY) 2009 Annual Update for Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule and Laboratory Services Subject to Reasonable Charge Payment Transmittal 1651, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 161 KB]	Rel. Date: 12/19/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
New Waived Test Transmittal 1652, Medicare Managed Care Manual [PDF, 1.06 KB]	Rel. Date: 12/19/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Implementation of Changes in End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Payment for Calendar Year (CY) 2009 Transmittal 98, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 147 KB]	Rel. Date: 12/12/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Implementation of Changes in End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Payment for Calendar Year (CY) 2009 Transmittal 1648, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 148 KB]	Rel. Date: 12/12/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC) and Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC) Update Transmittal 1634, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 365 KB]	Rel. Date: 11/14/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Managed Care Manual Updates Transmittal 90, Medicare Managed Care Manual [PDF, 576 KB]	Rel. Date: 11/07/08 Imp. Date: 11/07/08
Fee Schedule Update for 2009 for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies Transmittal 1630, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 1.06 KB]	Rel. Date: 11/07/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Annual Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Home Health Consolidated Billing Enforcement Transmittal 1633, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 96 KB]	Rel. Date: 11/07/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09

2009 Annual Update to the Therapy Code List Transmittal 1625, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 102 KB]	Rel. Date: 10/31/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Announcement of the Medicare Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) Payment Rate Increases Transmittal 1626, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 104 KB]	Rel. Date: 10/31/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Influenza Vaccine and the Pneumococcal Vaccine Payment Allowance Based on 95 Percent of the Average Wholesale Price (AWP) Transmittal 1623, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 127 KB]	Rel. Date: 10/31/08 Imp. Date: 12/01/08
Ambulance Inflation Factor for CY 2009 Transmittal 1607, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 120 KB]	Rel. Date: 10/03/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH), PPS, and Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (IPF) PPS Changes Transmittal 1610, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 1.4 KB]	Rel. Date: 10/03/08 Imp. Date: 10/06/08
October 2008 Update to the Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Payment System: Summary of Payment Policy Changes Transmittal 1611, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 231 KB]	Rel. Date: 10/03/08 Imp. Date: 10/06/08
Annual Update of HCPCS Codes for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) for the Common Working File (CWF) Medicare Carriers and Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs) Transmittal 1608, Medicare Claims Processing Manual [PDF, 111 KB]	Rel. Date: 10/03/08 Imp. Date: 01/05/09
Provider Reimbursement Manual Updates. Pub. No. 15-2	
Interest Rate CR	
Quarterly DMEPOS Fee Schedule Update	
Home Health PPS Rate—Annual Update	
Reasonable Charge Update for 2007 for Splints, Casts, Dialysis Supplies, Dialysis Equipment and Certain Intraocular Lenses—Quarterly Update	
Annual Update to the Hospice Payment Rates, Hospice CAP, Hospice Wage Index and the Hospice Pricer for FY	
Quarterly Update of the Hospital OPPS; Summary of Payment Policy Changes, OPPS PRICER Logic Changes and Instructions for Updating the Outpatient Provider Specific File (OPSF)	

Payment Amounts and Policies in the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule and Telehealth Originating Site Facility Fee Payment Amount—Annual Update	
SNF Consolidated Billing Quarterly Update	
Maintenance and Update of the Temporary Hook Created to Hold OPPS Claims that Include Certain Drug HCPCS Codes—Annual Update	
Integrated OCE Quarterly Updates	
Annual Type of Service	
New ZIP Code Update File—Quarterly Update	
Home Health Consolidated Billing—Annual Updates	
Medically Unlikely Edits—Quarterly Updates	
Update to the Medicare Deductible, Coinsurance and Premium Rates for CY—Annual Update	
National Clinical Laboratory Module-Quarterly Updates	
Claim Status Category Code and Claims Status Code—Quarterly Update	
ASC PRICER	
Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Codes (HPTC) Update—Quarterly Update	
CAP Drug List Changes—Quarterly Update	
Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) Quarterly Update	
PIMR Annual Update	
Annual Drug Supply and Inhalation Fees	
Clinical Lab Fee Schedule Update Factor	
Annual Desk Review Program for Hospital Wage Data	
Instructions for FISS, MCS and HIGLAS Changes	
Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) 2009 File	
2009 File Description for Pricing and HCPCS Data	