

## **The CMS Quarterly Provider Update JANUARY 2017**

### **What's New**

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**03/23/2017**

#### **INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 3738 entitled “Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for July 2017” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities, Hospitals, Physicians, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Non-Physician Practitioners and Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 3738](#)**

**03/22/2017**

#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-5519-IFC entitled “Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule and Other Revisions to Part B for CY 2017; Medicare Advantage Bid Pricing Data Release; Medicare Advantage and Part D Medical Loss Ratio Data Release; Medicare Advantage Provider Network Requirements; Expansion of Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program Model; Medicare Shared Savings Program Requirements; Corrections” was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

**[CMS-1654-CN-4](#)**

**03/21/2017**

#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-5519-IFC entitled “Medicare Program; Advancing Care Coordination Through Episode Payment Models (EPMs); Cardiac Rehabilitation Incentive Payment Model; and Changes to the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model; Delay of Effective Date” was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

**[CMS-5519-IFC](#)**

**03/10/2017**

#### **INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 234 entitled "Updates and Clarification to Pub. 100-02, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual Regarding Admission Order and Medical Review Requirements" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 234](#)**

Transmittal 3734 entitled "Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) Prospective Payment System (PPS) - Recurring File Updates" was published. This regulation affects Federally Qualified Health Centers.

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**03/06/2017**

#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-2390-F4 entitled "Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Programs; Medicaid Managed Care, CHIP Delivered in Managed Care, and Revisions Related to Third Party Liability; Corrections" was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

**[CMS-2390-F4](#)**

**03/03/2017**

#### **INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 233 entitled "Clarification of Payment Policy Changes for Negative Pressure Wound Therapy (NPWT) Using a Disposable Device and the Outlier Payment Methodology for Home Health Services" was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 233](#)**

Transmittal 3723 entitled "Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Codes (HPTCs) April 2017 Code Set Update" was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

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Transmittal 3725 entitled "Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC), Claims Adjustment Reason Code (CARC), Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) and PC Print Update" was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 3725](#)**

Transmittal 3726 entitled "April 2017 Update of the Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Payment System" was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 3726](#)**

**02/24/2017**

#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3338-PN entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Application From the Center for Improvement in Healthcare Quality for Continued Approval of Its Hospital Accreditation Program" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[CMS-3338-PN](#)**

CMS-7044-N entitled “Health Insurance Marketplace\SM, Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Programs; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Outreach and Education (APOE), March 22, 2017” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

**CMS-7044-N**

CMS-1663-N entitled “Medicare Program; Public Meetings in Calendar Year 2017 for All New Public Requests for Revisions to the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Coding and Payment Determinations” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

**CMS-1663-N**

**02/23/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-9100-N entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances--October Through December 2016” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**CMS-9100-N**

**02/17/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-5519-F2 entitled “Medicare Program; Advancing Care Coordination Through Episode Payment Models (EPMs); Cardiac Rehabilitation Incentive Payment Model; and Changes to the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model; Delay of Effective Date” was published. This regulation affects Suppliers.

**CMS-5519-F2**

CMS-9929-P entitled “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Market Stabilization” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**CMS-9929-P**

**02/10/2017**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 1795 entitled “Advance Care Planning (ACP) Implementation for Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) Claims” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals

**View the complete text of Transmittal 1795**

Transmittal 1797 entitled “Guidance on Implementing System Edits for Certain Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS)” was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

**View the complete text of Transmittal 1797**

Transmittal 3716 entitled “Extension of the Transition to the Fully Adjusted Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies Payment Rates under Section 16007 of the 21st Century Cures Act” was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and

Supplies.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 3716](#)**

Transmittal 3716 entitled "Extension of the Transition to the Fully Adjusted Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies Payment Rates under Section 16007 of the 21st Century Cures Act" was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 3716](#)**

**01/26/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-2334-P2 entitled "Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Programs: Eligibility Notices, Fair Hearing and Appeal Processes for Medicaid and Other Provisions Related to Eligibility and Enrollment for Medicaid and CHIP" was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

**[CMS-2334-P2](#)**

**01/19/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3339-N entitled "Medicare Program; Meeting of the Medicare Evidence Development and Coverage Advisory Committee--March 22, 2017" was published. This regulation is a meeting notice.

**[CMS-3339-N](#)**

**01/18/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-2402-F entitled "Medicaid Program; The Use of New or Increased Pass-Through Payments in Medicaid Managed Care Delivery Systems" was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

**[CMS-2402-F](#)**

**01/13/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3819-F entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Program: Conditions of Participation for Home Health Agencies" was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

**[CMS-3819-F](#)**

**01/12/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-6012-P entitled "Medicare Program; Establishment of Special Payment Provisions and Requirements for Qualified Practitioners and Qualified Suppliers

of Prosthetics and Custom-Fabricated Orthotics” was published. This regulation affects Suppliers.

**CMS-6012-P**

Transmittal 3716 entitled “Extension of the Transition to the Fully Adjusted Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies Payment Rates under Section 16007 of the 21st Century Cures Act” was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies

**View the complete text of Transmittal 3716**

**01/09/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-6059-N6 entitled “Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Programs: Announcement of the Extension of Temporary Moratoria on Enrollment of Part B Non-Emergency Ground Ambulance Suppliers and Home Health Agencies in Designated Geographic Locations” was published. This regulation affects Ambulances, Home Health Agencies, and Suppliers.

**CMS-6059-N6**

**01/03/2017**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-2390-F3 entitled “Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Programs; Medicaid Managed Care, CHIP Delivered in Managed Care, and Revisions Related to Third Party Liability; Corrections” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

**CMS-2390-F3**

CMS-5519-F entitled “Medicare Program; Advancing Care Coordination Through Episode Payment Models (EPMs); Cardiac Rehabilitation Incentive Payment Model; and Changes to the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model (CJR)” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**CMS-5519-F**

CMS-1656-CN entitled “Medicare Program: Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment and Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Systems and Quality Reporting Programs; Organ Procurement Organization Reporting and Communication; Transplant Outcome Measures and Documentation Requirements; Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Programs; Payment to Nonexcepted Off-Campus Provider-Based Department of a Hospital; Hospital Value-Based Purchasing (VBP) Program; Establishment of Payment Rates Under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for Nonexcepted Items and Services Furnished by an Off-Campus Provider-Based Department of a Hospital; Correction and Extension of Comment Period” was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers and Hospitals.

**CMS-1656-CN**

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