

**The CMS Quarterly Provider Update**  
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## **What's New**

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**09/28/2007**

### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1378-N, entitled "Town Hall Meeting of the Medicare Provider Feedback Group -- September 20, 2007," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

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CMS-1545-CN, entitled "Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities; Corrections," was released. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

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CMS-2213-P, entitled "Medicaid Program; Clarification of Outpatient Clinic and Hospital Facility Services Definition and Upper Payment Limit; Final Rule," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals and Rural Health Clinics.

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CMS-2267-N, entitled "CLIA Continuance of Exemption of Laboratories Licensed by the State of Washington," was released. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

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CMS-3186-PN, entitled "Application by the Indian Health Service (IHS) for Continued Recognition as a National Accreditation Organization for Accrediting American Indian and Alaska Native Entities To Furnish Outpatient Diabetes Self-Management Training," was released. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

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CMS-4129-P, entitled "Special Enrollment Period and Medicare Premium Changes," was released. This regulation affects All Providers.

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CMS-9041-N, entitled "Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances--April Through June 2007," was released. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

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## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 1347 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "MSN MESSAGE: REVISED 38.13," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1347](#) (PDF, 142 KB)

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1345 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Remittance Advice RemardCode (RARC) and Claim Adjustment Reason Claim (CARC) Update," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1345](#) (PDF, 332 KB)

Transmittal 1346 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "New Waived Tests," was released. This instruction affects Clinical Diagnostic Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1346](#) (PDF, 29 KB)

**09/21/2007**

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 1339 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "MRI Procedures," was released. This instruction affects Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Physicians and Non-Physician Practitioners. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1339](#) (PDF, 129 KB)

Transmittal 1340 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Lumbar Aretificial Disc Replacement," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1340](#) (PDF, 219 KB)

Transmittal 1341 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "New Website for Approved Transplant Centers," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1341](#) (PDF, 276 KB)

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1342 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "October 2007 Integrated Outpatient Code Editor Specifications Version 8.3," was released. This instruction affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions, Skilled Nursing Facilities and Hospitals. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1342](#) (PDF, 688 KB)

**09/19/2007**

## **REGULATION PUBLISHED**

CMS-2268-F, entitled "Establishment of Revisit User Fee Program for Medicare Survey and Certification Activities; Final Rule," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid. [View CMS-2268-F](#) [PDF]  
[View CMS-2268-F](#) [TXT]

**09/18/2007**

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 1337 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Revisions to 9-Digit ZIP Code list Provided in Change Request 5208," was released. This instruction affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Hospice, Hospitals, Physicians and Non-Physician Practitioners. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1337](#) (PDF, 121 KB)

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 88 of the Medicare Managed Care Manual, entitled "Revisions to chapter 13," was released. This instruction affects Medicare Advantage. [View the complete text of Transmittal 88](#) (PDF, 151 KB)

**09/14/2007**

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 222 of the Medicare Program Integrity Manual, entitled "Discontinuance of the Unique Physician Identification Number (UPIN) Registry," was released. This instruction affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Home Health Agencies, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Medicare Advantage, Rural Health Clinics, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Ambulance, Hospice, Hospitals, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Physicians, Non-Physician Practitioners. [View the complete text of Transmittal 222](#) (PDF, 108 KB)

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1336 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "October 2007 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS): Summary of Payment Policy Changes," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1336](#) (PDF, 251 KB)

**09/12/2007**

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CORRECTION**

Transmittal 76 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Ultrasonounds Diagnostic Procedures," was released. This instruction affects Hospice and Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 76](#) (PDF, 221 KB)

Transmittal 77 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 77](#) (PDF, 284 KB)

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1334 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "OCTOBER 2007 QUARTERLY AVERAGE SALES PRICE (ASP) MEDICARE PART B DRUG PRICING FILES AND REVISIONS TO PRIOR QUARTERLY PRICING FILES," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Hospitals, Physicians, Non-Physician Practitioners. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1334](#) (PDF, 442 KB)

**09/11/2007**

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 75 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Lumbar Artificial Disc Replacement," was released. This instruction affects Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 75](#) (PDF, 73 KB)

**09/07/2007**

### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-2287-P, entitled "Elimination of Reimbursement Under Medicaid for School Administration Expenditures and Costs Related to Transportation of School-Age Children Between Home and School," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 74 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Medicare Clinical Trial Policy," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 74](#) (PDF, 93 KB)

Transmittal 28 of the Medicare State Operations Manual, entitled "Revisions to Appendix D, Guidance to Surveyors for Portable X-ray Services," was released. This instruction affects Non-Physician Practitioners. [View the complete text of Transmittal 28](#) (PDF, 313 KB).

**09/06/2007**

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CORRECTION**

Transmittal 73 of the Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Ultrasound Diagnostic Procedures," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 73](#) (PDF, 217 KB)

**09/05/2007**

### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1810-F, entitled "Physicians' Referrals to Health Care Entities With Which They Have Financial Relationships (Phase III)," was released. This regulation affects Physicians.

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**08/31/2007**

### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1539-F, entitled "Hospice Wage Index for Fiscal Year 2008," was released. This regulation affects Hospice.

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CMS-3887-P, entitled "Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Conditions for Coverage," was released. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

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CMS-6026-F, entitled "Medicaid Program and State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP); Payment Error Rate Measurement," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATIONS**

Transmittal 1328 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "DELETE REFERENCES TO REQUIRED REPORTING OF THE NPI ON OR AFTER MAY 23, 2007, AND REVISE TO A "WHEN EFFECTIVE" DATE," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. **[View the complete text of Transmittal 1328](#)** (PDF, 173 KB)

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1330 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Quarterly Updates to Correct Coding Initiative Edits, Version 13.3 Effective October 1, 2007," was released. This instruction affects Physicians. **[View the complete text of Transmittal 1330](#)** (PDF, 152 KB)

**08/30/2007**

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1326 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "October Update to the 2007 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database," was released. This instruction affects Physicians and Non-Physician Practitioners. **[View the complete text of Transmittal 1326](#)** (PDF, 230 KB)

**08/29/2007**

**REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1541-FC, entitled "Home Health Prospective Payment System Refinement and Rate Update for Calendar Year 2008," was released. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

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**08/28/2007**

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATIONS**

Transmittal 72 of the National Coverage Determinations Manual, entitled "Ultrasound Diagnostic Procedures," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians. **[View the complete text of Transmittal 72](#)** (PDF, 216 KB)

**08/24/2007**

**REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1481-N4, entitled "Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting--September 17-18, 2007," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

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CMS-1542-N2, entitled "Announcement of New Members to the Advisory Panel on Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) Groups," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

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CMS-2234-P, entitled "State Option To Establish Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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CMS-3014-IFC, entitled "Hospital Conditions of Participation: Laboratory Services," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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CMS-3184-N, entitled "Meeting of the Medicare Evidence Development and Coverage Advisory Committee (MedCAC)--October 22, 2007," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

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CMS-3193-N, entitled "Town Hall Meeting Regarding the Effect of Coverage and Payment on Clinical Research Study Participation and Retention, September 20, 2007," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

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CMS-6030-F, entitled "Medicare Integrity Program, Fiscal Intermediary and Carrier Functions, and Conflict of Interest Requirements," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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CMS-7005-N, entitled "Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education, September 20, 2007," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

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**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- NEW INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED**

Transmittal 1321 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Sunset of the Physician scarcity Area (PSA) Bonus Payment," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Non-Physician Practitioners. **[View the complete text of Transmittal 1321](#)** (PDF, 220 KB)

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 1322 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE (IHS) HOSPITAL PAYMENT RATES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2007," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals. **[View the complete text of Transmittal 1322](#)** (PDF, 121 KB)

**INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1323 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) Annual Update: Prospective Payment System (PPS) Pricer Changes for FY 2008," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1323](#) (PDF, 107 KB)

**08/22/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1533-FC, entitled "Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2008 Rates," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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**08/17/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-6146-CN2 entitled "Revised Civil Money Penalties, Assessments, Exclusions, and Related Appeals Procedures; Correction," was released. This regulation affects All Providers.

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#### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 26 of the Medicare State Operations Manual, entitled "Revisions to Appendix P and PP," was released. This instruction affects Surgical Nursing Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 26](#) (PDF, 495 KB)

Transmittal 27 of the Medicare State Operations Manual, entitled "Revisions to Appendix PP – Guidance to Surveyors for Long Term Care Facilities," was released. This instruction affects Surgical Nursing Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 27](#) (PDF, 349 KB)

Transmittal 47 of the Medicare General Information, Eligibility, and Entitlement Manual, entitled "Revision to Certification for Hospital Services Covered by the Supplementary Medical Insurance Program as it pertains to Ambulance Services," was released. This instruction affects Ambulance. [View the complete text of Transmittal 47](#) (PDF, 126 KB)

Transmittal 75 of the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, entitled "Nurse Practitioner (NP) Services and Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) Services," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 75](#) (PDF, 119 KB)

Transmittal 219 of the Medicare Program Integrity Manual, entitled "Nurse Practitioner (NP) Services and Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) Services," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 219](#) (PDF, 156 KB)

Transmittal 1316 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Anesthesia Services Furnished by the Same Physician Providing the Medical and Surgical Service," was released. This instruction affects Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1316](#) (PDF, 271 KB)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1318 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "New Remark Code for Ambulance Services," was released. This instruction affects Ambulance. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1318](#) (PDF, 150 KB)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- NEW INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED**

Transmittal 1317 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "2008 Annual Update of HCPCS Codes for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing for the Common Working File, Medicare Carriers and Fiscal In," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1317](#) (PDF, 150 KB)

Transmittal 1319 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Date of Service for Laboratory Specimens," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1319](#) (PDF, 164 KB)

**08/14/2007**

#### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- NEW INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED**

Transmittal 1315 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Clarification of Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty (PTA) Billing Requirements Issued in CR 3811," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals and Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1315](#), (PDF, 182 KB)

**08/13/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-2261-P, entitled "Coverage for Rehabilitative Services," was released. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Medicare + Choice, Rural Health Clinics, Medicaid, Physicians and Non-Physician Practitioners.

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**08/07/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1551-F, entitled "Prospective Payment System for Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities for FY 2008," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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CMS-3188-NC, entitled "Evaluation Criteria and Standards for Quality Improvement Program Organization Contracts," was released. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

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**08/06/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1385-CN, entitled "Proposed Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule, and Other Part B Payment Policies for CY 2008; Proposed Revisions to



the Payment Policies of Ambulance Services Under the Ambulance Fee Schedule for CY 2008; and the Proposed Elimination of the E-Prescribing Exemption for Computer-Generated Facsimile Transmissions; Corrections," was released. This regulation affects Physicians.

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**08/03/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1545-F, entitled "Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2008," was released. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

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**08/02/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1392-P, entitled "Proposed Changes to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and CY 2008 Payment Rates; Proposed Changes to the Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System and CY 2008 Payment Rates; Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Proposed Changes to Hospital Conditions of Participation; Proposed Changes Affecting Necessary Provider Designations of Critical Access Hospitals," was released. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

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CMS-1517-F, entitled "Revised Payment System Policies for Services Furnished in Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs) Beginning in CY 2008," was released. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

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**08/01/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-6006-P, entitled "Surety Bond Requirement for Suppliers of Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS)," was released. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies and Suppliers.

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**07/27/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1388-N, entitled "Request for Nominations and Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council, August 27, 2007," was released. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

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CMS-2272-PN, entitled "Application by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) for Continued Deeming Authority for Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs)," was released. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

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CMS-4094-F5, entitled "Amendment to the Interim Final Regulation for Mental Health Parity," was released. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

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CMS-2260-IFC, entitled "High Risk Pools," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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**07/23/2007**

### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- NEW INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED**

Transmittal 1313 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Response to Competitive Acquisition for Part B Drugs and Biologicals (CAP) Claims When the Common Working File (CWF) 69XD Error Code is Received," was released. This instruction affects Physicians. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1313](#) (PDF, 41 KB)

Transmittal 1314 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Claim Status Category Code and Claim Status Code Update," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1314](#) (PDF, 124 KB)

**07/20/2007**

### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-2264-P, entitled "Medicaid Integrity Program; Limitation on Contractor Liability," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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CMS-6146-F, entitled "Revised Civil Money Penalties, Assessments, Exclusions, and Related Appeals Procedures," was released. This regulation affects All Providers.

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### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 1306 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Medicare Part A Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Prospective Payment System (PPS) Pricer Update for FY 2008," was released. This instruction affects Skilled Nursing Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1306](#) (PDF, 69 KB)

### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- NEW INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED**

Transmittal 1301 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Revised Information on PET Scan Coding," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals,

Physicians and Skilled Nursing Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1301](#) (PDF, 239 KB)

Transmittal 1304 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "REPORTING OF ADDITIONAL DATA TO DESCRIBE SERVICES ON HOSPICE CLAIMS," was released. This instruction affects Hospice. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1304](#) (PDF, 220 KB)

Transmittal 1311 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Capturing Medicare Advantage (MA) Beneficiary Days in SSI for DSH Data," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1311](#) (PDF, 178 KB)

Transmittal 1312 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Timeliness Standards for Processing Other-Than-Clean Claims," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1312](#) (PDF, 295 KB)

Transmittal 289 of the Medicare One-Time Notification Manual, entitled "Present On Admission Indicator," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals. [View the complete text of Transmittal 289](#) (PDF, 224 KB)

**07/17/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-2238-FC, entitled "Medicaid Program; Prescription Drugs," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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**07/13/2007**

#### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-2257-F, entitled "Citizenship Documentation Requirements," was released. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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#### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 216 of the Medicare Program Integrity Manual, entitled "Implementation of New Compliance Standards for IDTFs," was released. This instruction affects Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 216](#) (PDF, 71 KB)

Transmittal 217 of the Medicare - Manual, entitled "Provider Enrollment Fraud Detection Program for High Risk Areas," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 217](#) (PDF, 41 KB)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER**

Transmittal 129 of the Medicare Financial Management Manual, entitled "Recurring Update Notification for the Notice of New Interest Rate for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments --4th Qtr. FY 2007," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal R129FM](#) (PDF, 79 KB)

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- NEW INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED**

Transmittal 1285 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Line Item Billing Requirements for EPO Submitted on ESRD Claims," was released. This instruction affects Renal Dialysis Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1285](#) (PDF, 81 KB)

Transmittal 1288 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Update to the Place of Service (POS) Code Set to Add a Code for Prison/Correctional Facility-VMS Only," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1288](#) (PDF, 128 KB)

Transmittal 1289 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Additional Common Working File (CWF) Editing for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB)," was released. This instruction affects Non Physician Practitioners, Physician, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Ambulance, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Ambulatory Surgical Centers and Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1289](#) (PDF, 338 KB)

Transmittal 1290 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Clarification of SNF Billing Requirements for Beneficiaries enrolled in MA Plans," was released. This instruction affects Skilled Nursing Facilities. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1290](#) (PDF, 133 KB)

Transmittal 1295 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Lab. and Rad.: Adjustment to CWF Duplicate Claim Edit for TC of Rad. And Path. Lab Services Provided to Hospital Patients," was released. This instruction affects Non Physician Practitioners, Physician, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Hospitals. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1295](#) (PDF, 79 KB)

**07/12/2007**

### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1385-P, entitled "Medicare Program; Proposed Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule, and Other Part B Payment Policies for CY 2008; Proposed Revisions to the Payment Policies of Ambulance Services Under the Ambulance Fee Schedule for CY 2008; and the Proposed Elimination of the E-Prescribing Exemption for Computer-Generated Facsimile Transmissions," was released. This regulation affects Physicians.

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**07/09/2007**

### **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 1284 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "Chapter 24 Update," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [View the complete text of Transmittal 1284](#) (PDF, 157 KB)

**07/06/2007**

## **INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MANUALIZATION/CORRECTION/CLARIFICATION**

Transmittal 1283 of the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, entitled "National Provider Identifier (NPI) Required to Enroll in Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), Update of telecommunication and Transmission Protocols for EDI and Deletion of Obsolete Reference to Medicaid Subrogation Claims," was released. This instruction affects All Providers. [\*\*View the complete text of Transmittal 1283\*\*](#) (PDF, 207 KB)

**07/05/2007**

### **REGULATIONS PUBLISHED**

CMS-1529-N, entitled "Hospital Direct and Indirect Graduate Medical Education Policy Changes; Notice," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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CMS-1529-CN, entitled "Prospective Payment System for Long-Term Care Hospitals RY 2008: Annual Payment Rate Updates, and Policy Changes; Corrections," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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CMS-5042-N2, entitled "Solicitation for Proposals From Rural Hospitals to Participate in the Medicare Hospital Gainsharing Demonstration Program Under Section 5007 of the Deficit Reduction Act," was released. This regulation affects Other CMS Businesses.

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