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12/31/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1204-FC, entitled "Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule for Calendar Year 2003 and Inclusion of Registered Nurses in the Personnel Provision of the Critical Access Hospital Emergency Services Requirement for Frontier Areas and Remote Locations; Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View CMS-1204-FC

12/27/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1202-CN, entitled "Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities — Correction Notice," was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities. <u>View CMS-1202-CN</u>

CMS-1231-N, entitled "Rechartering of the Advisory Panel on Ambulatory Payment Classification Groups and Notice of Meeting of the Advisory Panel on January 20, 2003," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice. <u>View CMS-1231-N</u>

CMS-1234-N, entitled "Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council on February 10, 2003," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice. <u>View CMS-1234-N</u>

CMS-3104-N, entitled "Renewal and Amendment of the Charter of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee (MCAC)," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

View CMS-3104-N

CMS-3105-N, entitled "Notice of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee/Executive Committee on February 12, 2003," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

View CMS-3105-N

CMS-4055-N, entitled "National Medicare+Choice Risk Adjustment Meeting on February 3, 2003," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice. <u>View CMS-4055-N</u>

CMS-9015-N, entitled "Quarterly Issuances Notice: July-September 2003," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business. **View CMS-9015-N**

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal B-02-091, entitled "Provider Education Article: Requirements for Payment of Medicare Claims for Foot and Nail Care Services," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment and Prosthetics, and Home Health Agencies.

View Transmittal B-02-091 (PDF - 100 KB)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION AND/OR CORRECTION

Transmittal AB-02-180, entitled "Coverage and Billing for Home Prothrombin Time International Normalized Ratio (INR) Monitoring for Anticoagulation Management," was released. This instruction affects all providers. <u>View Transmittal AB-02-180 (PDF - 110 KB)</u>
12/20/2002

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION AND/OR CORRECTION

Transmittal B-02-089, entitled "Further Instructions Regarding the Reasonable Charge Update for 2003 for Splints and Casts," was released. This instruction affects Physicians.

<u>View Transmittal B-02-089</u> (PDF - 77.3 KB) 12/13/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1908-IFC, entitled "Medicare Program; Application of Inherent Reasonableness to All Medicare Part B Services (Other Than Physician Services)," was published. This regulation affects Suppliers. <u>View CMS-1908-IFC</u>

12/03/2002

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED

Transmittal A-02-122, entitled "Notice Regarding Cost-to-Charge Ratios and

Inpatient Outlier Payments," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals.

View Transmittal A-02-122 (PDF - 104 KB)

11/29/2002

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal AB-02-173, entitled "Ambulance Fee Schedule Updates for 2003," was released. This instruction affects Ambulances. <u>View Transmittal AB-02-173</u> (PDF - 102 KB)

11/22/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1022-P, entitled "Medicare Program; Hospice Care Amendments," was published. This regulation affects Hospices. **View CMS-1022-P**

CMS-1217-N, entitled "Medicare Program; December 16, 2002, Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

View CMS-1217-N

CMS-1220-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Fee Schedule for Payment of Ambulance Services--Update for CY 2003," was published. This regulation affects Ambulances. **View CMS-1220-N**

CMS-1224-P, entitled "Medicare Program; Nondiscrimination in Posthospital Referral to Home Health Agencies and Other Entities," was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies. <u>View CMS-1224-P</u>

CMS-1241-NC, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Announcement of Applications From Hospitals Requesting Waivers for Organ Procurement Service Areas," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals. **View CMS-1241-NC**

CMS-1809-F2, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Physicians'1 Referrals to Health Care Entities With Which They Have Financial Relationships: Extension of Partial Delay of Effective Date," was published. This regulation affects Physicians. <u>View CMS-1809-F2</u>

CMS-2154-FN, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations for Continued Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

View CMS-2154-FN

CMS-2155-FN, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Program; Approval of Application for Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

View CMS-2155-FN

CMS-3055-P, entitled "Medicare Program; Photocopying Reimbursement Methodology," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business. <u>View</u>

CMS-3055-P

CMS-6012-N3, entitled "Medicare Program; Negotiated Rulemaking Committee on Special Payment Provisions and Requirements for Prosthetics and Certain Custom-Fabricated Orthotics; Meeting Announcement," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

View CMS-6012-N3

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal AB-02-167, entitled "Notice of Interest Rate for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments," was released. This instruction affects all providers.

View Transmittal AB-02-167 (PDF - 74.1 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-170, entitled "File Descriptions and Instructions for Retrieving the 2003 Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) HCPC Code Additions and Deletions," was released. This instruction affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

View Transmittal AB-02-170 (PDF - 112 KB)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION AND/OR CORRECTION

Transmittal AB-02-168, entitled "Advance Beneficiary Notice and DMEPOS Refund Requirements - Corrections to PM AB-02-114," was released. This instruction affects all providers. <u>View Transmittal AB-02-168</u> (PDF - 375 KB)
11/15/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-4004-P, entitled "Medicare Program: Changes to the Medicare Claims Appeal Procedures," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business. <u>View CMS-4004-P</u>

CMS-1206-CN, entitled "Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and Calendar Year 2003 Payment Rates; and Changes to Payment Suspension for Unfiled Cost Reports; Correction," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals. View CMS-1206-CN
11/08/2002

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal A-02-118, entitled "Annual Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing Enforcement, Updated SNF Help File," was released. This instruction affects Ambulances, Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians, Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions, Renal Dialysis/ESRD Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View Transmittal A-02-118 (PDF - 219 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-163, entitled "2003 Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule and Laboratory Services Subject to Reasonable Charge Payment Method," was released. This instruction affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories. <u>View Transmittal AB-02-163</u> (PDF - 134 KB)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION AND/OR CORRECTION

Transmittal AB-02-158, entitled "Common Working File (CWF), Fiscal Intermediary (FI), and Carrier Edits and Policy Clarification for Peripheral Neuropathy With Loss of Protective Sensation (LOPS) in People With Diabetes," was released. This instruction affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Hospitals, Outpatient Physician Therapy, and Rural Health Clinics.

<u>View Transmittal AB-02-158</u> (PDF - 98.3 KB) 11/05/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1204-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule for Calendar Year 2003, Notice of Delay of Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Physicians. <u>View CMS-1204-N</u> 11/01/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1206-FC and CMS-1179-F, entitled "Changes to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and Calendar Year 2003 Payment Rates; and Changes to Payment Suspension for Unfiled Cost Reports," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

<u>View CMS-1206-FC and CMS-1179-FC</u> View Support Data and Documents for CMS-1206-FC and CMS-1179-FC

CMS-2141-FN, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Approval of the American Osteopathic Association for Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers. <u>View CMS-2141-FN</u>

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 792 of the Hospital Manual, entitled "Pneumococcal Pneumonia, Influenza Virus, and Hepatitis B Vaccines," was released. This instruction affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Renal Dialysis/ESRD Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View Transmittal 792 (PDF - 90.7 KB)

Transmittal 1866 of the Medicare Intermediary Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process, entitled "Pneumococcal Pneumonia, Influenza Virus and Hepatitis B Vaccines," was released. This instruction affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health

Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Renal Dialysis/ESRD Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities. <u>View Transmittal 1866</u> (PDF - 100 KB)

Transmittal 1778 of the Medicare Carriers Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process, entitled "Pneumococcal Pneumonia, Influenza Virus and Hepatitis B Vaccines," was released. This instruction affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Renal Dialysis/ESRD Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities. <u>View Transmittal</u> 1778 (PDF - 88.6 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-147, entitled "Promoting Influenza Vaccinations," 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, Hospitals, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Medicare+Choice, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians, Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions, Renal Dialysis/ESRD Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities. View Transmittal AB-02-147 (PDF - 76.0 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-154, entitled "New Waived Tests - September 27, 2002," was released. This instruction affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

View Transmittal AB-02-154 (PDF - 188 KB)

INSTRUCTION RELEASED

Transmittal B-02-075, entitled "Carrier Review of Payment Amounts for Portable X-Ray Transportation Services (HCPCS code R0070)--REQUEST," was released. This instruction affects Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View Transmittal B-02-075 (PDF - 71.0 KB)

10/25/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-2087-FN, entitled "Medicaid Program; State Allotments for Payment of Medicare Part B Premiums for Qualifying Individuals: Federal Fiscal Year 2001," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid. <u>View CMS-2087-FN</u>

CMS-2104-F2, entitled "Medicaid Program; Medicaid Managed Care: New Provisions Correcting Amendment," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid. <u>View CMS-2104-F2</u>

CMS-2159-N, entitled "Medicare, Medicaid, and CLIA Programs; Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 Continuance of Approval of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) as an Accrediting Organization," was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories. View CMS-2159-N

CMS-4038-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare

Education -- November 19, 2002," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

View CMS-4038-N

CMS-4041-P, entitled "Medicare Programs; Modifications to Managed Care Rules," was published. This regulation affects Medicare+Choice. **View CMS-4041-P**

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 1774 of the Medicare Carriers Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process, entitled "Section 4271, Home Dialysis Patients' Options for Billing," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies. **View Transmittal 1774** (PDF - 115 KB)

Transmittal 1776 of the Medicare Carriers Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process, entitled "Evaluation and Management Service Codes - General," was released. This instruction affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians, and Skilled Nursing Facilities. <u>View Transmittal 1776</u> (PDF - 99.3 KB)

Transmittal A-02-102, entitled "Medicare Certified Hospices - Clarification of Acceptable Parameters for Some Contractual Arrangements," was released. This instruction affects Hospices. <u>View Transmittal A-02-102</u> (PDF - 87.1 KB)

Transmittal A-02-104, entitled "Provider Education Article: Home Health Agencies' (HHAs) Responsibilities Regarding Patient Notification," was released. This instruction affects Home Health Agencies. <u>View Transmittal A-02-104</u> (PDF - 100 KB)

Transmittal A-02-106, entitled "Provider Education Article: Hospitals' Responsibilities Re: Patient Notification at Discharge Planning and Home Health Consolidated Billing," was released. This instruction affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

View Transmittal A-02-106 (PDF - 83.8 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-143, entitled "Provider Education Article: Psychotropic Drug Use in Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF)," was released. This instruction affects Physicians and Skilled Nursing Facilities. <u>View Transmittal AB-02-143</u> (PDF - 97 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-150, entitled "Payment of Physician and Nonphysician Services for Certain Indian Providers," was released. This instruction affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Non-Physician Practitioners, and Rural Health Clinics. <u>View Transmittal AB-02-150</u> (PDF - 129 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-152, entitled "Fee Schedule Update for 2003 for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS)," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies. <u>View Transmittal AB-02-152</u> (PDF - 143 KB)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION AND/OR CORRECTION

Transmittal 375 of the Medicare Skilled Nursing Facility Manual, entitled "Section 515.1, Coverage and Patient Classification," was released. This instruction affects

Skilled Nursing Facilities. View Transmittal 375 (PDF - 83.5 KB)

Transmittal A-02-111, entitled "October 2002 Update to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) - Correction - This instruction replaces PM A-02-076 (CR 2298) issued on August 7, 2002," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals.

<u>View Transmittal A-02-111</u> (PDF - 114 KB) 10/21/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-8013-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts for 2003," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals. <u>View CMS-8013-N</u>

CMS-8014-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Monthly Actuarial Rates and Monthly Supplementary Medical Insurance Premium Rate Beginning January 1, 2003," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business. **View CMS-8014-N**

CMS-8015-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Part A Premium for 2003 for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business. <u>View CMS-8015-N</u>
10/18/2002

INSTRUCTION RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal AB-02-142, entitled "Remittance Advice Coding Update," was released. This instruction affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Hospices, Hospitals, and Skilled Nursing Facilities. **View Transmittal AB-02-142** (PDF - 164 KB)

INSTRUCTION RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION AND/OR CORRECTION

Transmittal 1773 of the Medicare Carriers Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process, entitled "Appeals, Section 70956 and Section 12000," was released. This instruction affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies. View Transmittal 1773 (PDF - 193 KB) 10/16/2002

REGULATION CORRECTION PUBLISHED

Correction to CMS-1201-IFC, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE); Program Revisions - Correction," was published. This correction affects all providers. <u>View Correction to CMS-1201-IFC</u> (PDF - 14.6 KB)
10/11/2002

REGULATION PUBLISHED

CMS-3109-N, entitled "Medicare Program; Town Hall Meeting on the Hospital "One-hour" Rule Related to the Use of Restraint and Seclusion--October 29, 2002," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice. <u>View CMS-3109-N</u>

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal 1772 of the Medicare Carriers Manual: Part 3 - Claims Process, entitled "Section 4020.4, Type of Service (TOS)," was released. This instruction affects Physicians.

View Transmittal 1772 (PDF - 97.4 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-136, entitled "Reasonable Charge Update for 2003 for Splints, Casts, Dialysis Supplies, Dialysis Equipment, Therapeutic Shoes, and Certain Intraocular Lenses," was released. This instruction affects Physicians. <u>View</u>
<u>Transmittal AB-02-136</u> (PDF - 86.2 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-137, entitled "Annual Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Home Health Consolidated Billing Enforcement," was released. This instruction affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Home Health Agencies, Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians, and Outpatient Physical Therapy. View Transmittal AB-02-137 (PDF - 221 KB)

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- CLARIFICATION AND/OR CORRECTION

Transmittal A-02-098, entitled "Changes in Transitional Outpatient Payment (TOP) for 2003," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals. <u>View Transmittal A-02-098</u> (PDF - 78.0 KB)

Transmittal A-02-100, entitled "Installation of Version 27.4 of the Provider Statistical and Reimbursement (PS&R) Report," was released. This instruction affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View Transmittal A-02-100 (PDF - 77.7 KB)

Transmittal A-02-101, entitled "Corrections to: Changes to the Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities - Update as published in the Federal Register, FY 2001 (66 FR 39572, July 31, 2001), and Transmittal A-01-144, December 20, 2001," was released. This instruction affects Home Health Agencies, Hospices, and Skilled Nursing Facilities. <u>View Transmittal A-02-101</u> (PDF - 90.7 KB)

Transmittal B-02-063, entitled "Annual Updating of ICD-9-CM Codes Must Be Date of Service Driven," was released. This instruction affects Physicians and Non-Physician Practitioners. <u>View Transmittal B-02-063</u> (PDF - 75.4 KB)

Transmittal B-02-064, entitled "ViPS Medicare System (VMS) Implementation to Process ICD-9-CM Codes Using Date of Service and Not Date of Receipt," was released. This instruction affects Physicians and Non-Physician Practitioners.

View Transmittal B-02-064 (PDF - 76.8 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-139, entitled "Additional Guidance for Applying the Medicare Self-Administered Drug Exclusion," was released. This instruction affects all providers.

View Transmittal AB-02-139 (PDF - 117 KB)

10/07/2002

CMS RULING PUBLISHED

CMSR-02-01, entitled "CMS Ruling to Delay Implementation of BIPA 521" was published. This ruling affects Other CMS Business. **View CMSR-02-01**

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-4050-NR, entitled "Medicare Program; Changes in Medicare Appeals Procedures Based on Section 521 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Benefits Improvement and Protection Act of 2000," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business. <u>View CMS-4050-NR</u> 10/04/2002

INSTRUCTIONS RELEASED -- MID-QUARTER

Transmittal A-02-094, entitled "Annual Desk Review Program for Hospital Wage Data: Cost Reporting Periods Beginning on or after October 1, 1999, through September 30, 2000 (For FY 2004 Wage Index)," was released. This instruction affects Hospitals.

View Transmittal A-02-094 (PDF - 176 KB)

Transmittal A-02-095, entitled "Production Dates for the Provider Statistical and Reimbursement (PS&R) Report and Extension of Due Date for Filing Provider Cost Reports for Providers Having Their Claims Processed by the Arkansas Part A Standard System (APASS) and Request for Wage Data for the FY 2004 Wage Index," was released. This instruction affects Home Health Agencies and Skilled Nursing Facilities

View Transmittal A-02-095 (PDF - 103 KB)

Transmittal B-02-062, entitled "Payment to Registered Dietitians and Nutrition Professionals for Diabetes Outpatient Self-Management Training (DSMT) Services," was released. This instruction affects Non-Physician Practitioners. <u>View Transmittal B-02-062</u> (PDF - 75.7 KB)

Transmittal AB-02-134, entitled "Questions and Answers Related to Implementation of National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) for Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Services," was released. This instruction affects Clinical Dianostic Laboratories, Hospitals, and Physicians.

<u>View Transmittal AB-02-134</u> (PDF - 99.2 KB) 10/02/2002

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-2127-F, entitled "State Children's Health Insurance Program; Eligibility for

Prenatal Care and Other Health Services for Unborn Children," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid. <u>View CMS-2127-F</u>

CMS-3018-N, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Hospital Conditions of Participation: Clarification of the Regulatory Flexibility Analysis for Patients' Rights," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals. **View CMS-3018-N**

CMS-3160-FC, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Conditions of Participation: Immunization Standards for Hospitals, Long-Term Care Facilities, and Home Health Agencies," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Home Health Agencies.

View CMS-3160-FC

10/01/2002

**NEW RELEASE - OCTOBER 2002

The October 2002 issue of the CMS Quarterly Provider Update (QPU) was released.

REGULATIONS PUBLISHED

CMS-1201-IFC, entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE); Program Revisions," was published. This regulation affects all providers. <u>View CMS-1201-IFC</u>

CMS-2160-N, entitled "State Children's Health Insurance Program; Final Allotments to States, the District of Columbia, and U.S. Territories and Commonwealths for Fiscal Year 2003," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid providers. <u>View CMS-2160-N</u>