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Fast Information for Faster Claims Processing

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837-I hospital claims processing errors

OMAP discovered that hospital claims failed to process correctly when we started accepting 837-I claims. The MMIS system was not bringing over the ICD-9 surgical procedure codes on hospital claims when we converted the data. OMAP corrected the system problem on May 23, 2005.

This means that providers may have received payment at a lower DRG rate than the rate you were entitled to if you filed 837-I claims prior to May 23.

Unfortunately, OMAP has no way of automatically reprocessing or auto-correcting the claims. Since our translator does not store information in data fields that we don't use in processing the claim, we no longer have the procedure codes you originally sent.

And the remedy is . . .

If you filed 837-I claims before May 23, 2005, and were underpaid, please submit a 1036 Individual Adjustment Request form for each of the affected claims. In the comment section at the bottom of the 1036 form, instruct OMAP to "take back the entire claim." After you receive the remittance advice showing OMAP's take-back, you may re-bill the original claim via 837-I for the correct DRG payment. OMAP forms, such as the OMAP 1036, are available in numerical order at www.oregon.gov/DHS/healthplan/forms/omapforms.shtml

Questions?

If you have any questions about this information, contact the OMAP Provider Relations Unit at 1-800-336-6016.