



Oregon

Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

Department of Human Services
Division of Medical Assistance Programs
500 Summer Street NE, E35
Salem, OR 97301-1077
Voice (503) 945-5772
FAX (503) 373-7689
TTY (503) 378-6791

October 9, 2007

To: DRG Hospitals, Inpatient
Rehabilitation Hospital Units, and
Managed Care Organizations



From: Georgia Rhay, DMAP Hospital Policy Analyst and Program Manager
DMAP Policy and Planning Section

Subject: Delayed implementation of the DRG Grouper effective October 1, 2007

DMAP has experienced a delay implementing the DRG Grouper effective October 1, 2007. The DRG Grouper Version 25 will be implemented as soon as possible. At this time the estimated time for implementation is approximately 6 weeks (the second to third week of November).

Claims processing for the DRG reimbursed hospitals will continue to be processed using Version 24 until the implementation of Version 25. When implementation of Version 25 has been completed all inpatient DRG hospital claims from date of service October 1, 2007 will be reprocessed to ensure correct grouping and reimbursement. DMAP will electronically reprocess these inpatient claims using the System Mass Adjustment Process (SMAP). All SMAP'd claims will be reflected on the remittance advice (RA) for each individual claim payment.

I do apologize for this unavoidable delay in implementation and for any inconvenience this may cause.

If you have additional questions about this change, please e-mail me at georgia.rhay@state.or.us.

Thank you for your continued support of the Oregon Health Plan.

"Assisting People to Become Independent, Healthy and Safe"
An Equal Opportunity Employer