

Flu Shot Reminder



As a respected source of health care information, patients trust their doctors' recommendations. If you have Medicare patients who haven't yet received their flu shot, help protect them by recommending an annual influenza and a one time pneumococcal vaccination. Medicare provides coverage for flu and pneumococcal vaccines and their administration. – And don't forget to immunize yourself and your staff. **Protect yourself, your patients, and your family and friends.** Get Your Flu Shot. Remember - Influenza vaccination is a covered Part B benefit. Note that influenza vaccine is NOT a Part D covered drug. For more information about Medicare's coverage of adult immunizations and educational resources, go to CMS's website:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/SE0667.pdf> .

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January 2007 Non-Outpatient Prospective Payment System (Non-OPPS) Outpatient Code Editor (OCE) Specifications Version 22.1

Provider Types Affected

Providers submitting claims to Medicare fiscal intermediaries (FIs) for services rendered to Medicare beneficiaries

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Provider Action Needed

This article is based on Change Request (CR) 5437 which informs fiscal intermediaries (FI's) that the January 2007 Non-Outpatient Prospective Payment System (Non-OPPS) Outpatient Code Editor (OCE) specifications have been updated to ensure correct billing and payment of claims. Be sure your billing staff are aware of the code changes in CR5437.

Background

The Non-OPPS OCE has been updated with numerous new additions, changes, and deletions to Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System/Current Procedural Terminology (HCPCS/CPT) codes. Rather than duplicate all the additions, deletions and changes in this article, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services directs you to CR5437, which contains the lengthy lists of these items. CR5437 is available at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R1150CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

Additional Information

If you have any questions, please contact your FI at their toll-free number, which may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website

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