

The CMS Quarterly Provider Update October 2008

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12/31/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 280, entitled "Incorporation of Recent Regulatory Revisions," was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 280](#)

Transmittal 281, entitled "Signature and Date Stamps for DME Supplies," was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Non-Physician Practitioners, and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 281](#)

Transmittal 426, entitled "Adjustment for Medicare Mental Health Services," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 426](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CORRECTION

Transmittal 1660, entitled "Calendar Year (CY) 2009 Annual Update for Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule and Laboratory Services Subject to Reasonable Charge Payment," was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1660](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED – Mid-Quarter Release

Transmittal 1656, entitled "Claim Status Category Code and Claim Status Code Update," was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1656](#)

Transmittal 1658, entitled "Quarterly Update to Correct Coding Initiative Edits, Version 15.0, Effective January 1, 2009," was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1658](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1403-CN2 entitled "Medicare Program; Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule and Other Revisions to Part B for CY 2009; E-Prescribing Exemption for Computer Generated Facsimile Transmissions; Corrections," was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

CMS-1403-CN2

12/30/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1385-CN2 entitled "Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2009 Rates; Payments for Graduate Medical Education in Certain Emergency Situations; Changes to Disclosure of Physician Ownership in Hospitals and Physician Self-Referral Rules; Updates to the Long-Term Care Prospective Payment System; Updates to Certain IPPS-Excluded Hospitals; and Collection of Information Regarding Financial Relationships Between Hospitals; Correction," was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

CMS-1385-CN2

CMS-1390-CN2 entitled "Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2009 Rates; Payments for Graduate Medical Education in Certain Emergency Situations; Changes to Disclosure of Physician Ownership in Hospitals and Physician Self-Referral Rules; Updates to the Long-Term Care Prospective Payment System; Updates to Certain IPPS-Excluded Hospitals; and Collection of Information Regarding Financial Relationships Between Hospitals; Correction," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-1390-CN2

CMS-1531-CN entitled "Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2009 Rates; Payments for Graduate Medical Education in Certain Emergency Situations; Changes to Disclosure of Physician Ownership in Hospitals and Physician Self-Referral Rules; Updates to the Long-Term Care Prospective Payment System; Updates to Certain IPPS-Excluded Hospitals; and Collection of Information Regarding Financial Relationships Between Hospitals; Correction," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-1531-CN

CMS-9049-N entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances--July Through September 2008," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

CMS-9049-N

12/24/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 99, entitled "Expansion of Medicare Telehealth Services," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 99](#)

Transmittal 423, entitled "New Contractor Numbers for the J9 Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) Part A and Part B Workloads for the State of Florida and Territories of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands," was published. This regulation affects Ambulances, Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Hospices, Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 423](#)

Transmittal 1654, entitled "Expansion of Medicare Telehealth Services," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1654](#)

12/22/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2283-N entitled "Medicare, Medicaid, and CLIA Programs; Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 Exemption of Permit-Holding Laboratories in the State of New York," was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

[CMS-2283-N](#)

CMS-1555-CN entitled "Medicare Program; Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update for Calendar Year 2009; Corrections," was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

[CMS-1555-CN](#)

CMS-1411-N entitled "Medicare Program; Request for Nominations to the Advisory Panel on Ambulatory Payment Classification Groups," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

[CMS-1411-N](#)

12/19/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED

Transmittal 63, entitled "Instructions on utilizing 837 institutional CAS segments for Medicare Secondary Payer Part A Claims," was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 63](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 419, entitled "Summary of Policies in the 2009 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) and the Telehealth Originating Site Facility Fee Payment Amount," was published. This regulation affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 419](#)

Transmittal 1653, entitled “Annual Clotting Factor Furnishing Fee Update,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1653](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED – Mid-Quarter Release

Transmittal 1650, entitled “January 2009 Quarterly Average Sales Price (ASP) Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Files and Revisions to Prior Quarterly Pricing Files,” was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS), Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1650](#)

Transmittal 1651, entitled “2009 Annual Update for Clinical Laboratory Fee Schedule and Laboratory Services Subject to Reasonable Charge Payment,” was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1651](#)

Transmittal 1652, entitled “New Waived Test,” was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1652](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2198-F entitled “Medicaid Program; Disproportionate Share Hospital Payments; Final Rule,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Medicaid.

[CMS-2198-F](#)

CMS-2234-F entitled “Medicaid Program; State Option To Establish Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program,” was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

[CMS-2234-F](#)

CMS-2295-N entitled “Deeming Notice for American Society for Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (ASHI) as an Accrediting Organization Under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988,” was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

[CMS-2295-N](#)

CMS-2274-N entitled “Medicaid Program; Fiscal Year Disproportionate Share Hospital Allotments and Disproportionate Share Hospital Institutions for Mental Disease Limits,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Medicaid.

[CMS-2274-N](#)

CMS-1409-N entitled “Medicare Program; First Semi-Annual Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Ambulatory Payment Classification Groups—February 18-20, 2009,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

[CMS-1409-N](#)

CMS-3209-N entitled “Medicare Program; Meeting of the Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Committee—February 25, 2009,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

CMS-3209-N

12/12/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 62, entitled "Instructions for Utilizing 837 Professional Claim Adjustment Segments for Medicare Secondary Payer Part B Claims," was published. This regulation affects Ambulances, Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 62](#)

Transmittal 98, entitled "Implementation of Changes in End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Payment for Calendar Year (CY) 2009--MIPPA Section 153," was published. This regulation affects Renal Dialysis Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 98](#)

Transmittal 414, entitled "Improved Access to Ambulance Services Payment Rates for Effective Dates of Service July 1 2008 - December 31, 2009," was published. This regulation affects Ambulances.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 414](#)

Transmittal 1648, entitled "Implementation of Changes in End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Payment for Calendar Year (CY) 2009--MIPPA Section 153," was published. This regulation affects Renal Dialysis Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1648](#)

12/09/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 97, entitled "Thermal Intradiscal Procedures," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Hospitals and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 97](#)

Transmittal 1645, entitled "Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination," was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories, Hospitals, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Non-Physician Practitioners, Physicians, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1645](#)

Transmittal 1646, entitled "Thermal Intradiscal Procedures," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Hospitals and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1646](#)

12/05/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 411, entitled "Influenza Pandemic Emergency Preparedness - Additional Instructions concerning Financial Matters and Program Integrity," was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 411](#)

Transmittal 1643, entitled "HIS Provider Payment to non-HIS Physicians for Teleradiology Interpretations," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1643](#)

12/03/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2232-F entitled "Medicaid Program; State Flexibility for Medicaid Benefit Packages; Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

[CMS-2232-F](#)

CMS-1390-N2 entitled "Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2009 Rates: Fiscal Year 2009 Wage Index Changes Following Implementation of Section 124 of the Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act of 2008," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[CMS-1390-N2](#)

11/28/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 38, entitled "Revisions to Exhibits 37, 196, and 287," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices and Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 38](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2294-PN entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the Joint Commission for Continued Deeming Authority for Hospices," was published. This regulation affects Hospices.

[CMS-2294-PN](#)

CMS-1397-N entitled "Medicare Program; Rechartering of the Advisory Panel on Ambulatory Payment Classification Groups," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

[CMS-1397-N](#)

CMS-1537-N entitled "Medicare Program; Town Hall Meeting on the Fiscal Year 2010 Applications for New Medical Services and Technologies Add-on Payments Under the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems, February 17, 2009," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[CMS-1537-N](#)

CMS-7012-N entitled "Medicare Program; Announcement of Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education, January 13, 2009," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

[CMS-7012-N](#)

11/25/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2244-F entitled "Medicaid Program; Premiums and Cost Sharing; Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

CMS-2244-F

11/24/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2290-IFC entitled "Medicaid Program; State Allotments for Payment of Medicare Part B Premiums for Qualifying Individuals: Federal Fiscal Year 2008 and Federal Fiscal Year 2009," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

CMS-2290-IFC

11/21/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-4138-IFC3 entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to the Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Benefit Programs; Correcting Amendment," was published. This regulation affects All Providers and Medicare+Choice.

CMS-4138-IFC3

11/19/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1403-FC entitled "Medicare Program; Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule and Other Revisions to Part B for CY 2009; E-Prescribing Exemption for Computer-Generated Facsimile Transmissions; and Payment for Certain Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS); Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

CMS-1403-FC

11/18/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1404-FC entitled "Medicare Program: Changes to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and CY 2009 Payment Rates; Changes to the Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment System and CY 2009 Payment Rates; Hospital Conditions of Participation: Requirements for Approval and Re-Approval of Transplant Centers To Perform Organ Transplants--Clarification of Provider and Supplier Termination Policy Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Changes to the Ambulatory Surgical Center Conditions for Coverage; Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers and Hospitals.

CMS-1404-FC

11/14/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2897-FN entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Approval of the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care for Continued Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

CMS-2897-FN

CMS-2898-FN entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Approval of the Joint Commission for Continued Deeming Authority for Ambulatory Surgical Centers," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

CMS-2898-FN

CMS-4138-IFC2 entitled "Medicare Program; Revisions to the Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Benefit Programs: Clarification of Compensation Plans," was published. This regulation affects Medicare+Choice.

CMS-4138-IFC2

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 1634, entitled "Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC) and Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC) Update," was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1634](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 97, entitled "Adding Certain Entities as Originating Sites for Payment of Telehealth Services-Section 149 of MIPPA," was published. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Renal Dialysis Facilities, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 97](#)

Transmittal 401, entitled "2008 Physician Quality Reporting Initiative Claims-Based Reporting," was published. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 401](#)

Transmittal 1635, entitled "Adding Certain Entities as Originating Sites for Payment of Telehealth Services-Section 149 of MIPPA," was published. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Renal Dialysis Facilities, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1635](#)

11/07/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 90, entitled "Chapter 9, "Employer/Union Sponsored Group Health Plans," was published. This regulation affects Medicare Advantage.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 90](#)

Transmittal 1633, entitled "Annual Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Home Health Consolidated Billing Enforcement," was published. This regulation affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies, Home Health Agencies, Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, and Outpatient Physical Therapy.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1633](#)

Transmittal 1630, entitled "Fee Schedule Update for 2009 for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies," was published. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1630](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2213-F entitled "Medicaid Program; Clarification of Outpatient Hospital Facility (Including Outpatient Hospital Clinic) Services Definition," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals, Medicaid and Rural Health Clinics.

[CMS-2213-F](#)

11/03/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1555-N entitled "Medicare Program; Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update for Calendar Year 2009," was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

[CMS-1555-N](#)

10/31/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 397, entitled "Claim Adjustments to Correct Home Health Prospective Payment System (HPPS) Payment Errors," was published. This regulation affects Home Health Agencies.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 397](#)

Transmittal 1624, entitled "Reporting National Provider Identifiers (NPI) on claims for Out-of-Jurisdiction Purchased Mammography Preventive Screening and Diagnostic Services," was published. This regulation affects Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1624](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 1623, entitled "Influenza Vaccine and the Pneumococcal Vaccine Payment Allowances Based on 95 Percent of the Average Wholesale Price (AWP)," was published. This regulation affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Hospitals, Physicians and Rural Health Clinics.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1623](#)

Transmittal 1625, entitled "2009 Annual Update to the Therapy Code List," was published. This regulation affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation

Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1625](#)

Transmittal 1626, entitled “Announcement of Medicare Rural Health Clinics (RHCs) and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) Payment Rate Increases,” was published. This regulation affects Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1626](#)

10/30/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1422-N entitled “Medicare Program; Listening Session on Hospital-Acquired Conditions in Inpatient Settings and Hospital Outpatient Healthcare-Associated Conditions in Outpatient Settings, December 18, 2008,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

[CMS-1422-N](#)

10/24/2008

Transmittal 388, entitled “Analysis of Systems Changes Needed to Change Type of Bill for Federally Qualified Health Centers from 73x to 77x” was published. This regulation affects Federally Qualified Health Centers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 388](#)

Transmittal 391, entitled “Archiving and Retrieving of the Integrated Outpatient Code Editor and the Medicare Code Editor for Processing Claims,” was published. This regulation affects Community Mental Health Centers, Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospices, Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Rural Health Clinics, and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 391](#)

Transmittal 392, entitled “Revision to the CWF Requirements for Updating Spells of Illness for SNF and Swing Bed (SB) Claims,” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 392](#)

Transmittal 1618, entitled “Revision to the Reporting Requirements of Qualifying Hospital Stays on Inpatient Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) and Swing Bed (SB) Claims,” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 1618](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 96, entitled “Compendia as Authoritative Sources for Use in the Determination of a “Medically Accepted Indication” of Drugs & Biologicals Used Off-Label in an Anti-Cancer Chemotherapeutic Regimen” was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 96](#)

Transmittal 389, entitled "New 2008 MPFS Payment Rates" was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Non-Physician Practitioners, and Physicians.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 389](#)

Transmittal 393, entitled "Update to CR 5020: Method of Cost Settlement for Inpatient Services for Rural Hospital," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 393](#)

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CORRECTION

Transmittal 271, entitled "Instructions for the Implementation of the Internet-Based PECOS," was published. This regulation affects All Providers.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 271](#)

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2896-FN entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Conditional Approval of the Joint Commission's Continued Deeming Authority for Critical Access Hospitals," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

[CMS-2896-FN](#)

CMS-3205-PN entitled "Medicare Program; Application by the American Association of Diabetes Educators (AADE) for Recognition as a National Accreditation Organization for Accrediting Entities To Furnish Outpatient Diabetes Self-Management Training," was published. This regulation affects Other CMS Business.

[CMS-3205-PN](#)

CMS-1421-N entitled "Medicare Program; Plan To Transition to a Medicare Value-Based Purchasing Program for Physician and Other Professional Services: Listening Session, December 9, 2008," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice and affects Physicians.

[CMS-1421-N](#)

CMS-1559-N entitled "Medicare Program; Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council, December 8, 2008," was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice and affects Physicians.

[CMS-1559-N](#)

10/17/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 387 entitled "Medicare Payment for Air Ambulance Services Under Section 146(b)(1)," was published. This regulation affects Ambulances.

[View the complete text of Transmittal 387](#)

10/07/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2238-F entitled "Medicaid Program; Multiple Source Drug Definition," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

CMS-2238-F

10/03/2008

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED - CLARIFICATION

Transmittal 95, entitled "Shipboard Services Billed to the Carrier and Services Not Provided Within the United States," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals, Non-Physician Practitioners, and Physicians.

View the complete text of Transmittal 95

Transmittal 1609, entitled "Shipboard Services Billed to the Carrier and Services Not Provided Within the United States," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Physicians.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1609

Transmittal 1612, entitled "Revision of Interim Payment Methodology for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution (RNHCI), Clarifying Existing Policy on Training of Religious Nonmedical Nursing Personnel, Claims Not Billed to the RNHCI Specialty Contractor, and Statutory End of Coverage for RNHCI Items and Services Furnished in the Home," was published. This regulation affects Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1612

TRANSMITTAL(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE

Transmittal 1607, entitled "Ambulance Inflation Factor for CY 2009," was published. This regulation affects Ambulances.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1607

Transmittal 1608, entitled "2009 Annual Update of HCPCS Codes for Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing (CB) for the Common Working File (CWF), A/B MACs, Medicare Carriers and Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs)," was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1608

Transmittal 1610, entitled "Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS), Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) PPS, and Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (IPF) PPS Changes," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1610

Transmittal 1611, entitled "October 2008 Update to the ASC Payment System: Summary of Payment Policy Changes," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers.

View the complete text of Transmittal 1611

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-2229-N, entitled "Medicaid Program; Self-Directed Personal Assistance Services Program State Plan Option (Cash and Counseling); Final Rule," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

CMS-2229-N

CMS-1390-CN, entitled “Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2009 Rates; Payments for Graduate Medical Education in Certain Emergency Situations; Changes to Disclosure of Physician Ownership in Hospitals and Physician Self-Referral Rules; Updates to the Long-Term Care Prospective Payment System; Updates to Certain IPPS-Excluded Hospitals; and Collection of Information Regarding Financial Relationships Between Hospitals; Correction,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-1390-CN

CMS-1390-N, entitled “Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2009 Rates: Final Fiscal Year 2009 Wage Indices and Payment Rates Including Implementation of Section 124 of the Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act of 2008; Notice,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

CMS-1390-N

10/02/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1419-N, entitled “Medicare Program; Request for Nominations for the Program Advisory and Oversight Committee for the Competitive Acquisition of Durable Medical Equipment and Other Items,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

CMS-1419-N

10/01/2008

REGULATION(S) RELEASED

CMS-1534-CN, entitled “Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities; Correction,” was published. This regulation affects Skilled Nursing Facilities.

CMS-1534-CN

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