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**03/29/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-1457-NC entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Announcement of Application From a Hospital Requesting Waiver for Organ Procurement Service Area" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[View CMS-1457-NC](#)**

**03/22/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3281-PN entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs: Application From the American Osteopathic Association/Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program for Continued CMS-Approval of Its Hospital Accreditation Program" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[View CMS-3281-PN](#)**

**03/21/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 1201, entitled "Implementation of the Award for Jurisdiction E Part A/Part B Medicare Administrative Contractor (JE A/B MAC)," was released. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1201](#)**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-9952-P entitled "Ninety-Day Waiting Period Limitation and Technical Amendments to Certain Health Coverage Requirements Under the Affordable Care Act" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View CMS-9952-P](#)**

**03/19/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3230-F entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Requirements for Long-Term Care (LTC) Facilities; Notice of Facility Closure” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

**[View CMS-3230-F](#)**

**03/18/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-1455-NR entitled “Medicare Program; Medicare Hospital Insurance (Part A) and Medicare Supplementary Medical Insurance (Part B)” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[View CMS-1455-NR](#)**

CMS-1455-P entitled “Medicare Program; Part B Inpatient Billing in Hospitals” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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**03/15/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 1197, entitled “Implementation of the Award for Jurisdiction 6 Part A/Part B Medicare Administrative Contractor (J6 A/B MAC),” was released. This regulation 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, Medicare Advantage, Non-Physician Practitioners, Organ Procurements, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Renal Dialysis Facilities, Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions, Rural Health Clinics, Skilled Nursing Facilities.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1197](#)**

Transmittal 1199, entitled “International Classification of Diseases (ICD)-10 Conversion from ICD-9 and Related Code Infrastructure of the Medicare Shared Systems as They Relate to CMS National Coverage Determinations (NCDs),” was released. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1199](#)**

Transmittal 2671, entitled “New Waived Tests,” was released. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2671](#)**

Transmittal 2672, entitled “Quarterly Update of HCPCS Codes Used for Home Health Consolidated Billing Enforcement,” was released. This regulation affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Home Health Agencies, Non-Physician Practitioners and Outpatient Physical Therapy.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2672](#)**

**03/13/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-1588-CN4 entitled “Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long Term Care Hospital

Prospective Payment System and Fiscal Year 2013 Rates; Hospitals' Resident Caps for Graduate Medical Education Payment Purposes; Quality Reporting Requirements for Specific Providers and for Ambulatory Surgical Centers; Corrections" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[View CMS-1588-CN4](#)**

**03/11/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-9964-F entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2014" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View CMS-9964-F](#)**

CMS-9964-IFC entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Amendments to the HHS Notice of Benefit and Payment Parameters for 2014" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View CMS-9964-IFC](#)**

**03/08/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 152, entitled "Autologous Platelet-Rich Plasma (PRP) for Chronic Non-Healing Wounds," was released. This regulation affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Home Health Agencies, Hospitals, Rural Health Clinics and Skilled Nursing Facilities.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 152](#)**

**03/07/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-0038-NC entitled "Advancing Interoperability and Health Information Exchange" was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View CMS-0038-NC](#)**

CMS-1588-N entitled "Medicare Program; Extension of the Payment Adjustment for Low-volume Hospitals and the Medicare-dependent Hospital (MDH) Program Under the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems (IPPS) for Acute Care Hospitals for Fiscal Year 2013" was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[View CMS-1588-N](#)**

**03/01/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 169, entitled "April 2013 Update to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 169](#)**

Transmittal 2663, entitled “April Update to the CY 2013 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB),” was released. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2663](#)**

**02/27/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-1597-N2 entitled “Medicare Program; Changes to the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Hospital Outpatient Payment (HOP Panel)—March 11 and March 12, 2013” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

**[View CMS-1597-N2](#)**

CMS-9972-F entitled “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Health Insurance Market Rules; Rate Review” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

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**02/26/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3283-N entitled “Medicare Program of the Medicare Evidence Development and Coverage Advisory Committee—May 1, 2013” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.

**[View CMS-3283-N](#)**

**02/25/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-9980-F entitled “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Standards Related to Essential Health Benefits, Actuarial Value, and Accreditation” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View CMS-9980-F](#)**

**02/22/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 1194, entitled “Multiple Procedure Payment Reduction (MPPR) for Selected Therapy Services,” was released. This regulation affects Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities and Home Health Agencies.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1194](#)**

Transmittal 2661, entitled “April Quarterly Update for 2013 Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Fee Schedule,” was released. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2661](#)**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-4173-P entitled “Medicare Program; Medical Loss Ratio Requirements for the Medicare Advantage and the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Programs” was published. This regulation affects Medicare Advantage and ALL Providers.  
**[View CMS-4173-P](#)**

CMS-3279-N entitled “Announcement of the Re-Approval of the Commission on Office Laboratory Accreditation (COLA) as an Accreditation Organization Under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988” was published. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory.  
**[View CMS-3279-N](#)**

CMS-3280-PN entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application From the Center for Improvement in Healthcare Quality (CIHQ) for CMS-Approval of Its Hospital Accreditation Program” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.  
**[View CMS-3280-PN](#)**

CMS-7027-N entitled “Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Programs; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Outreach and Education (APOE), March 27, 2013” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.  
**[View CMS-7027-N](#)**

**02/15/2013**

#### **INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED**

Transmittal 2658, entitled “Medically Unlikely Edits (MUEs) Quarterly Savings and Appeals Reports,” was released. This regulation affects Physicians.  
**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2658](#)**

#### **INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED – MID-QUARTER RELEASE**

Transmittal 450, entitled “Update to Chapter 15 of the Program Integrity Manual (PIM),” was released. This regulation affects ALL Providers.  
**[View the complete text of Transmittal 450](#)**

Transmittal 1190, entitled “Recovery of Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) Overpayments,” was released. This regulation affects Hospitals, Federally-Qualified Health Centers, Rural Health Clinics and Skilled Nursing Facilities.  
**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1190](#)**

#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-1438-N entitled “Medicare Program; Public Meeting in Calendar Year 2013 for All New Public Requests for Revisions to the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Coding and Payment Determinations,” was published. This regulation is a Meeting Notice.  
**[View CMS-1438-N](#)**

CMS-9076-N entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—October Through December 2012,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.  
**[View CMS-9076-N](#)**

**02/08/2013**

#### **INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED**

Transmittal 1187, entitled Standardizing the standard – Operating Rules for code usage in Remittance Advice,” was released. This regulation 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, Medicare Advantage, Non-Physician Practitioners, Organ Procurements, 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 1187](#)**

Transmittal 1184, entitled “Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) National Competitive Bidding (NCB): Using the “KY” modifier to bill for accessories for non-CB wheelchair base unit,” was released. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1184](#)**

Transmittal 1182, entitled “Incentive Payment Related to Prior Authorization for Power Mobility Devices (PMD),” was released. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

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#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-5060-F entitled “Medicare, Medicaid Children’s Health Insurance Programs; Transparency Reports and Reporting of Physician Ownership or Investment Interests,” was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

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**02/07/2013**

#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3267-P entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Part II—Regulatory Provisions To Promote Efficiency, Transparency, and Burden Reduction,” was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.

**[View CMS-3267-P](#)**

CMS-3276-NC entitled “Medicare Program; Request for Information on the Use of Clinical Quality Measures (CQMs) Reported Under the Physician Quality Reporting System (PQRS), the Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program, and Other Reporting Programs,” was published. This regulation affects Physicians.

**[View CMS-3276-NC](#)**

**02/06/2013**

#### **REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-5506-N entitled “Medicare Program; Comprehensive End-Stage Renal Disease Care Model Announcement,” was published. This regulation affects Renal Dialysis Facilities.

**[View CMS-5506-N](#)**

CMS-9968-P entitled "Coverage of Certain Preventive Services Under the Affordable Care Act," was published. This regulation affects ALL Providers.  
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**02/01/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-1602-N entitled "Medicaid Program; Notice of Two Membership Appointments to the Advisory Panel on Hospital Outpatient Payment," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and is a Meeting Notice.  
**[View CMS-1602-N](#)**

CMS-9958-P entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Exchange Functions: Eligibility for Exemptions; Miscellaneous Minimum Essential Coverage Provisions," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals and is a Meeting Notice.  
**[View CMS-9958-P](#)**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED**

Transmittal 1174, entitled "Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Software for ICD-10," was released. This regulation affects Clinical Diagnostic Laboratories.  
**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1174](#)**

**01/31/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED**

Transmittal 166, entitled "Update to the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual Chapter 13," was released. This regulation affects Federally-Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinics.  
**[View the complete text of Transmittal 166](#)**

Transmittal 1169, entitled "Modification of Payment Window Edit in the Common Working File (CWF) to Modify Diagnostic Service List," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.  
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Transmittal 1170, entitled "Common Working File (CWF) Informational Unsolicited Response (IUR) or Reject for place of service billed by physician office and either ambulatory surgical center or inpatient hospital, for the same beneficiary, same date of service, and same procedure, based on sequence received of the Part B claim.," was released. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Hospitals, Outpatient Physical Therapy and Physicians.  
**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1170](#)**

Transmittal 1171, entitled "Instructions to Contractors for Implementing Section 5506 of the Affordable Care Act (ACA)-Preservation of Resident Cap Positions from Closed Teaching Hospitals," was released. This regulation affects Hospitals.  
**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1171](#)**

Transmittal 2642, entitled "Hospice Monthly Billing Requirement," was released. This regulation affects Hospices.

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**01/30/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-2334-CN entitled "Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Programs, and Exchanges: Essential Health Benefits in Alternative Benefit Plans, Eligibility Notices, Fair Hearing and Appeal Processes for Medicaid and Exchange Eligibility Appeals and Other Provisions Related to Eligibility and Enrollment for Exchanges, Medicaid and CHIP, and Medicaid Premiums and Cost Sharing; Correction," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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**01/25/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-4171-NC entitled "Medicare Program; Request for Information To Aid in the Design and Development of a Survey Regarding Patient Experiences With Hospital Outpatient Surgery Departments/Ambulatory Surgery Centers and Patient-Reported Outcomes From Surgeries and Procedures Performed in These Settings," was published. This regulation affects Ambulatory Surgical Centers and Hospitals.

**View CMS-4171-NC**

CMS-4172-NC entitled "Medicare Program; Request for Information To Aid in the Design and Development of a Survey Regarding Patient and Family Member/Friend Experiences With Hospice Care," was published. This regulation affects Hospices.

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**01/22/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-2334-P, entitled "Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Programs, and Exchanges: Essential Health Benefits in Alternative Benefit Plans, Eligibility Notices, Fair Hearing and Appeal Processes for Medicaid and Exchange Eligibility Appeals and Other Provisions Related to Eligibility and Enrollment for Exchanges, Medicaid and CHIP, and Medicaid Premiums and Cost Sharing; Proposed Rule," was published. This regulation affects Medicaid.

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**01/18/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3278-N, entitled Medicare Program; Request for Information on Hospital and Vendor Readiness for Electronic Health Records Hospital Inpatient Quality Data Reporting; Extension of Comment Period," was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED**



Transmittal 1163, entitled “Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) Enhancement,” was released. This regulation 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, Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities, Medicare Advantage, Non-Physician Practitioners Organ Procurements, Outpatient Physical Therapy, Physicians, Religious Non-Medical Health Care Institutions, Renal Dialysis Facilities, and Rural Health Clinics.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 1163](#)**

Transmittal 2637, entitled “2013 Durable Medical Equipment Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Code Jurisdiction List,” was released. This regulation affects Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2637](#)**

**01/11/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED**

Transmittal 2635, entitled “Emergency Update to the CY 2013 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB),” was released. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2635](#)**

**01/09/2013**

**INSTRUCTION(S) RELEASED**

Transmittal 2631, entitled “Summary of Policies in the CY 2013 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) Final Rule and the Telehealth Originating Site Facility Fee Payment Amount,” was released. This regulation affects Non-Physician Practitioners and Physicians.

**[View the complete text of Transmittal 2631](#)**

**01/03/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-3278-NC, entitled “Medicare Program; Request for Information on Hospital and Vendor Readiness for Electronic Health Records Hospital Inpatient Quality Data Reporting,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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**01/02/2013**

**REGULATION(S) RELEASED**

CMS-1456-NC, entitled “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Announcement of Application From a Hospital Requesting Waiver for Organ Procurement Service Area,” was published. This regulation affects Hospitals.

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