effective validation and assessment of the organization's survey process. -The adequacy of TÜVHS' staff and

- other resources, and its financial viability.
- —TÜVHS' capacity to adequately fund required surveys.
- TÜVHS' policies with respect to whether surveys are announced or unannounced.
- —TUVHS' agreement to provide us with a copy of the most current accreditation survey together with any other information related to the survey as we may require (including corrective action plans).

IV. Analysis of and Response to Public Comments on the Proposed Notice

We received 12 comments in response to the proposed notice published on January 27, 2006. These comments were from hospitals, professional organizations, an accrediting body and other individuals. Summaries of the public comments we received and our responses to those comments are set forth below.

Comment: The majority of commenters expressed support for increased competition in the hospital accreditation arena.

Response: We appreciate the commenters' support and agree that the accreditation process can benefit from increased competition. CMS must, however, ensure that any national accreditation organization approved for deeming authority meets our requirements and can provide us with reasonable assurance that its accredited hospitals are in compliance with accreditation standards that meet or exceed the Medicare CoPs.

Comment: A few commenters expressed support specifically for the approval of TÜVHS' request for deeming authority. Conversely, one commenter expressed concerns about the TÜVHS accreditation process and provided specific technical comments regarding the ISO 9001 certification process.

Response: Based on our findings from the review of TÜVHS' application, TÜVHS has not demonstrated that it meets our requirements for approval as a national accreditation organization. Also, TÜVHS did not provide us with reasonable assurance that its accredited hospitals are in compliance with accreditation standards that meet or exceed the Medicare CoPs.

Comment: One commenter asked us to consider the apparent conflict of interest that is posed by TÜVHS offering consultative services to prepare hospitals for JCAHO's accreditation reviews, while requesting deeming authority for Medicare participating hospitals, which would be in direct competition to JCAHO.

Response: We agree that it is an unusual situation to have an organization apply for deeming authority while continuing to offer consultative services to prepare hospitals for accreditation surveys that are conducted by another accreditation organization. Because we are not granting deeming authority to TÜVHS at this time, the suggested conflict of interest is not relevant.

V. Provisions of the Final Notice

Based on the findings from our review, using the evaluation criteria described above, we determined that the TÜVHS accreditation requirements for hospitals, including the accreditation standards, standards application and interpretation, survey procedures, and corrective action requirements, are not equivalent to the CMS requirements for hospitals. Additionally, TÜVHS has not provided reasonable assurance that the hospitals they accredit are in compliance with accreditation standards that are at least as stringent as the Medicare Hospital CoPs.

The findings from the review, as described above, preclude us from granting TÜVHS deeming authority for hospitals.

VI. Executive Order 12866 Statement

In accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 12866, this regulation was not reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget.

Authority: Section 1865 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395bb) (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.778, Medical Assistance Program; No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance Program; and No. 93.774, Medicare—Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

Dated: June 9, 2006.

Mark B. McClellan,

Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. [FR Doc. E6–9907 Filed 6–22–06; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-9035-N]

Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—January Through March 2006

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists CMS manual instructions, substantive and interpretive regulations, and other Federal Register notices that were published from January 2006 through March 2006, relating to the Medicare and Medicaid programs. This notice provides information on national coverage determinations (NCDs) affecting specific medical and health care services under Medicare. Additionally, this notice identifies certain devices with investigational device exemption (IDE) numbers approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that potentially may be covered under Medicare. This notice also includes listings of all approval numbers from the Office of Management and Budget for collections of information in CMS regulations. Finally, this notice includes a list of Medicare-approved carotid stent facilities.

Section 1871(c) of the Social Security Act requires that we publish a list of Medicare issuances in the **Federal Register** at least every 3 months. Although we are not mandated to do so by statute, for the sake of completeness of the listing, and to foster more open and transparent collaboration efforts, we are also including all Medicaid issuances and Medicare and Medicaid substantive and interpretive regulations (proposed and final) published during this 3-month time frame.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: It is possible that an interested party may have a specific information need and not be able to determine from the listed information whether the issuance or regulation would fulfill that need. Consequently, we are providing information contact persons to answer general questions concerning these items. Copies are not available through the contact persons. (See Section III of this notice for how to obtain listed material.)

Questions concerning items in Addendum III may be addressed to Timothy Jennings, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C4-26-05, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, or vou can call (410) 786-2134.

Questions concerning Medicare NCDs in Addendum V may be addressed to Patricia Brocato-Simons, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C1-09-06, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, or you can call (410) 786-0261.

Questions concerning FDA-approved Category B IDE numbers listed in Addendum VI may be addressed to John Manlove, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C1-13-04, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, or you can call (410) 786– 6877.

Questions concerning approval numbers for collections of information in Addendum VII may be addressed to Melissa Musotto, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, **Regulations Development and Issuances** Group, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C5-14-03, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, or you can call (410) 786-6962.

Questions concerning Medicareapproved carotid stent facilities may be addressed to Sarah J. McClain, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C1-09-06, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, or you can call (410) 786–2994.

Questions concerning all other information may be addressed to Gwendolyn Johnson, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, **Regulations Development Group**, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C5-14-03, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, or you can call (410) 786-6954. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Program Issuances

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is responsible for administering the Medicare and Medicaid programs. These programs pay for health care and related services for 39 million Medicare beneficiaries and 35 million Medicaid recipients. Administration of the two programs involves (1) furnishing information to Medicare beneficiaries and Medicaid recipients, health care providers, and the public and (2) maintaining effective communications with regional offices, State governments, State Medicaid agencies, State survey agencies, various providers of health care, all Medicare contractors that process claims and pay

bills, and others. To implement the various statutes on which the programs are based, we issue regulations under the authority granted to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services under sections 1102, 1871, 1902, and related provisions of the Social Security Act (the Act). We also issue various manuals, memoranda, and statements necessary to administer the programs efficiently.

Section 1871(c)(1) of the Act requires that we publish a list of all Medicare manual instructions, interpretive rules, statements of policy, and guidelines of general applicability not issued as regulations at least every 3 months in the Federal Register. We published our first notice June 9, 1988 (53 FR 21730). Although we are not mandated to do so by statute, for the sake of completeness of the listing of operational and policy statements, and to foster more open and transparent collaboration, we are continuing our practice of including Medicare substantive and interpretive regulations (proposed and final) published during the respective 3month time frame.

II. How To Use the Addenda

This notice is organized so that a reader may review the subjects of manual issuances, memoranda, substantive and interpretive regulations, NCDs, and FDA-approved IDEs published during the subject quarter to determine whether any are of particular interest. We expect this notice to be used in concert with previously published notices. Those unfamiliar with a description of our Medicare manuals may wish to review Table I of our first three notices (53 FR 21730, 53 FR 36891, and 53 FR 50577) published in 1988, and the notice published March 31, 1993 (58 FR 16837). Those desiring information on the Medicare NCD Manual (NCDM, formerly the Medicare Coverage Issues Manual (CIM)) may wish to review the August 21, 1989, publication(54 FR 34555). Those interested in the revised process used in making NCDs under the Medicare program may review the September 26, 2003, publication (68 FR 55634).

To aid the reader, we have organized and divided this current listing into eight addenda:

• Addendum I lists the publication dates of the most recent quarterly listings of program issuances.

 Addendum II identifies previous Federal Register documents that contain a description of all previously published CMS Medicare and Medicaid manuals and memoranda.

• Addendum III lists a unique CMS transmittal number for each instruction

in our manuals or Program Memoranda and its subject matter. A transmittal may consist of a single or multiple instruction(s). Often, it is necessary to use information in a transmittal in conjunction with information currently in the manuals.

• Addendum IV lists all substantive and interpretive Medicare and Medicaid regulations and general notices published in the Federal Register during the quarter covered by this notice. For each item, we list the-

• Date published;

Federal Register citation;

Parts of the Code of Federal

Regulations (CFR) that have changed (if applicable);

Agency file code number; and
 Title of the regulation.

• Addendum V includes completed NCDs, or reconsiderations of completed NCDs, from the quarter covered by this notice. Completed decisions are identified by the section of the NCDM in which the decision appears, the title, the date the publication was issued, and the effective date of the decision.

• Addendum VI includes listings of the FDA-approved IDE categorizations, using the IDE numbers the FDA assigns. The listings are organized according to the categories to which the device numbers are assigned (that is, Category A or Category B), and identified by the IDE number.

 Addendum VII includes listings of all approval numbers from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for collections of information in CMS regulations in title 42; title 45, subchapter C; and title 20 of the CFR.

• Addendum VIII includes listings of Medicare-approved carotid stent facilities. All facilities listed meet CMS standards for performing carotid artery stenting for high risk patients.

III. How To Obtain Listed Material

A. Manuals

Those wishing to subscribe to program manuals should contact either the Government Printing Office (GPO) or the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) at the following addresses:

- Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, ATTN: New Orders, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954, Telephone (202) 512-1800, Fax number (202) 512-2250 (for credit card orders); or
- National Technical Information Service, Department of Commerce, 5825 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161, Telephone (703) 487-4630.
- In addition, individual manual transmittals and Program Memoranda

listed in this notice can be purchased from NTIS. Interested parties should identify the transmittal(s) they want. GPO or NTIS can give complete details on how to obtain the publications they sell. Additionally, most manuals are available at the following Internet address: http://cms.hhs.gov/manuals/ default.asp.

B. Regulations and Notices

Regulations and notices are published in the daily Federal Register. Interested individuals may purchase individual copies or subscribe to the Federal **Register** by contacting the GPO at the address given above. When ordering individual copies, it is necessary to cite either the date of publication or the volume number and page number.

The Federal Register is also available on 24x microfiche and as an online database through GPO Access. The online database is updated by 6 a.m. each day the Federal Register is published. The database includes both text and graphics from Volume 59, Number 1 (January 2, 1994) forward. Free public access is available on a Wide Area Information Server (WAIS) through the Internet and via asynchronous dial-in. Internet users can access the database by using the World Wide Web; the Superintendent of Documents home page address is http:// www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/index.html, by using local WAIS client software, or by telnet to swais.gpoaccess.gov, then log in as guest (no password required). Dialin users should use communications software and modem to call (202) 512-1661; type swais, then log in as guest (no password required).

C. Rulings

We publish rulings on an infrequent basis. Interested individuals can obtain copies from the nearest CMS Regional Office or review them at the nearest regional depository library. We have, on occasion, published rulings in the Federal Register. Rulings, beginning with those released in 1995, are available online, through the CMS Home Page. The Internet address is http://cms.hhs.gov/rulings.

D. CMS' Compact Disk-Read Only Memory (CD-ROM)

Our laws, regulations, and manuals are also available on CD-ROM and may be purchased from GPO or NTIS on a subscription or single copy basis. The Superintendent of Documents list ID is HCLRM, and the stock number is 717-139-00000-3. The following material is on the CD-ROM disk:

- Titles XI, XVIII, and XIX of the Act.
- CMS-related regulations. CMS manuals and monthly
- ٠ revisions.

• CMS program memoranda. The titles of the Compilation of the Social Security Laws are current as of January 1, 2005. (Updated titles of the Social Security Laws are available on the Internet at http://www.ssa.gov/ *OP_Home/ssact/comp-toc.htm.*) The remaining portions of CD-ROM are updated on a monthly basis.

Because of complaints about the unreadability of the Appendices (Interpretive Guidelines) in the State Operations Manual (SOM), as of March 1995, we deleted these appendices from CD–ROM. We intend to re-visit this issue in the near future and, with the aid of newer technology, we may again be able to include the appendices on CD-ROM.

Any cost report forms incorporated in the manuals are included on the CD-ROM disk as LOTUS files. LOTUS software is needed to view the reports once the files have been copied to a personal computer disk.

IV. How To Review Listed Material

Transmittals or Program Memoranda can be reviewed at a local Federal Depository Library (FDL). Under the FDL program, government publications are sent to approximately 1,400 designated libraries throughout the United States. Some FDLs may have arrangements to transfer material to a local library not designated as an FDL. Contact any library to locate the nearest FDL

In addition, individuals may contact regional depository libraries that receive and retain at least one copy of most Federal Government publications, either in printed or microfilm form, for use by the general public. These libraries

provide reference services and interlibrary loans; however, they are not sales outlets. Individuals may obtain information about the location of the nearest regional depository library from any library. For each CMS publication listed in Addendum III, CMS publication and transmittal numbers are shown. To help FDLs locate the materials, use the CMS publication and transmittal numbers. For example, to find the Medicare NCD publication titled "Cardiac Catheterization Performed in Other Than a Hospital Setting," use CMS-Pub. 100-03, Transmittal No. 46.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance, Program No. 93.774, Medicare-Supplementary Medical Insurance Program, and Program No. 93.714, Medical Assistance Program.)

Dated: June 6, 2006.

Jacquelyn Y. White,

Director, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

Addendum I

This addendum lists the publication dates of the most recent quarterly listings of program issuances December 24, 2003 (68 FR 74590) March 26, 2004 (69 FR 15837) June 25, 2004 (69 FR 35634) September 24, 2004 (69 FR 57312) December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78428) February 25, 2005 (70 FR 9338) June 24, 2005 (70 FR 36620) September 23, 2005 (70 FR 55863) December 23, 2005 (70 FR 76290) March 24, 2006 (71 FR 14903)

Addendum II—Description of Manuals, Memoranda, and CMS Rulings

An extensive descriptive listing of Medicare manuals and memoranda was published on June 9, 1988, at 53 FR 21730 and supplemented on September 22, 1988, at 53 FR 36891 and December 16, 1988, at 53 FR 50577. Also, a complete description of the former CIM (now the NCDM) was published on August 21, 1989, at 54 FR 34555. A brief description of the various Medicaid manuals and memoranda that we maintain was published on October 16, 1992, at 57 FR 47468.

ADDENDUM III.—MEDICARE AND MEDICAID MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS

| Transmittal No. | Manual/subject/publication No. | | | | |
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| | Medicare General Information (CMS Pub. 100–01) | | | | |
| 34 | 34 Change Management Process—Electronic Change Information Management Portal (eChimp). | | | | |

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|----------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 35 | Revisions to Instructions for Contractors Other Than the Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Specialty Contractor Re- garding Claims for Beneficiaries With Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Elections. Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Defined. Scheduled Release for April 2006 Software Programs and Pricing/Coding Files. | | | | | |
| | Medicare Benefit Policy (CMS Pub. 100–02) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 44 | Update to the End-Stage Renal Disease Composite Payment Rates. New End-Stage Renal Disease Composite Payment Rates Effective January 1, 2006. Revisions to Instructions for Contractors Other Than the Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Specialty Contractor Regarding Claims for Beneficiaries With Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Elections. Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Services. Beneficiary Eligibility for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Services. Election of Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Benefits. Revocation of Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Election. Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Election. Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Election. Medicare Payment for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Services and Beneficiary Liability. Coverage of Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Items Furnished in the Home. Coverage and Payment of Durable Medical Equipment Under the Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Home Benefit. This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 47. | | | | | |
| 47 | Therapy Caps Exception Process. Coverage of Outpatient Rehabilitation Therapy Services (Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Speech-Language Pa thology Services) Under Medical Insurance. Documentation Requirements for Therapy Services. | | | | | |
| 48 | Glaucoma Screening Services. Preventive and Screening Services. Glaucoma Screening. | | | | | |
| 49 | Payment of Federally Qualified Health Centers for Diabetes Self Management Training Services and Medical Nutrition Therapy Services. Rural Health Clinic and Federally Qualified Health Center Service Defined. Rural Health Clinic Services. Federally Qualified Health Center Services. | | | | | |
| | Medicare National Coverage Determinations (CMS Pub. 100–03) | | | | | |
| 46 47 | Cardiac Catheterization Performed in Other Than a Hospital Setting. Changes to the Covered Indications for Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA 125 to Add Primary Peritoneal Carcinoma. | | | | | |
| 48 49 50 | Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA 125. Technical Corrections to the NCD Manual. Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy. Home Glucose Monitors. Vitrectomy. Abortion. Diathermy Treatment. Assessing Patients Suitability for Electrical Nerve Stimulation Therapy. Electroencephalographic Monitoring During Surgical Procedures Involving the Cerebral Vasculature. Diagnostic Pap Smears. Human Immunodeficiency Virus Testing (Diagnosis). Prostate Cancer Screening Tests. Screening Pap Smears and Pelvic Examinations for Early Detection of Cervical Or Vaginal Cancer. Non-Implantable Pelvic Floor Electrical Stimulator. Levocarnitine for Use in the Treatment of Carnitine Deficiency in End-Stage Renal Disease Patients. Adult Liver Transplantation. Obsolete or Unreliable Diagnostic Tests. Microvolt T-Wave Alternans Diagnostic Testing. External Counterpulsation Therapy. | | | | | |
| 49 | Technical Corrections to the NCD Manual. Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy. Home Glucose Monitors. Vitrectomy. Abortion. Diathermy Treatment. Assessing Patients Suitability for Electrical Nerve Stimulation Therapy. Electroencephalographic Monitoring During Surgical Procedures Involving the Cerebral Vasculature. Diagnostic Pap Smears. Human Immunodeficiency Virus Testing (Diagnosis). Prostate Cancer Screening Tests. Screening Pap Smears and Pelvic Examinations for Early Detection of Cervical Or Vaginal Cancer. Non-Implantable Pelvic Floor Electrical Stimulator. Levocarnitine for Use in the Treatment of Carnitine Deficiency in End-Stage Renal Disease Patients. Adult Liver Transplantation. Obsolete or Unreliable Diagnostic Tests. Microvolt T-Wave Alternans Diagnostic Testing. | | | | | |
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| 49 50 | Technical Corrections to the NCD Manual. Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy. Home Glucose Monitors. Vitrectomy. Abortion. Diathermy Treatment. Assessing Patients Suitability for Electrical Nerve Stimulation Therapy. Electroencephalographic Monitoring During Surgical Procedures Involving the Cerebral Vasculature. Diagnostic Pap Smears. Human Immunodeficiency Virus Testing (Diagnosis). Prostate Cancer Screening Tests. Screening Pap Smears and Pelvic Examinations for Early Detection of Cervical Or Vaginal Cancer. Non-Implantable Pelvic Floor Electrical Stimulator. Levocarritine for Use in the Treatment of Carnitine Deficiency in End-Stage Renal Disease Patients. Adult Liver Transplantation. Obsolete or Unreliable Diagnostic Testis. Microvolt T-Wave Alternans Diagnostic Testing. External Counterpulsation Therapy. Medicare Claims Processing (CMS Pub. 100–04) Administration of Drugs and Biologicals in a Method II Critical Access Hospital—Rescinds and replaces Change Request 3911. Costs of Emergency Room On-Call Providers. Coding for Administering Drugs in a Method II Critical Access Hospital. | | | | | |

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| Transmittal No. | Manual/subject/publication No. | | | | | | |
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| 806 | Termination of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Codes Payable During the Transition to the Ambulance Fee | | | | | | |
| 807 | Schedule. Revision to IOM 100–4, Chapter 12, Sections 90.4.1.1 and 90.4.2. Carrier Web Pages. | | | | | | |
| 808 | Health Professional Shortage Area Designations. Nursing Facility Services (Codes 99304—99318). | | | | | | |
| 809 | Update to Payment Rates for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Services Furnished in the Home, Calendar Year 2006. | | | | | | |
| 810 811 | Issued to a specific audience, not posted to Internet/Intranet due to Confidentiality of Instruction. Teaching Physician Services. | | | | | | |
| 011 | Payment for Physician Services in Teaching Settings Under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule. Evaluation and Management Services. | | | | | | |
| | Surgical Procedures. Psychiatry. | | | | | | |
| | Time-Based Codes. | | | | | | |
| | Miscellaneous. Assistants at Surgery in Teaching Hospitals. | | | | | | |
| 812 813 | Medicare Payment for Pre-Administration-Related Services Associated With Intravenous Immune Globulin Administration. Instructions for the Payment of Health Professional Shortage Area and Physician Scarcity Area Bonuses When the Place of Service is "Home." | | | | | | |
| 814 | Claim Status Category Code and Claim Status Code Update. | | | | | | |
| 815 816 | Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Codes Update. Coverage and Billing for Ultrasound Stimulation for Nonunion Fracture Healing. | | | | | | |
| | Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier Billing Instructions. | | | | | | |
| 817 | Update to the Inpatient Provider Specific File and the Outpatient Provider Specific File to Retain Provider Information. Outpatient Provider Specific File. | | | | | | |
| 818 | Smoking and Tobacco-Use Cessation Counseling Services: Common Working File Inquiry for Providers. Common Working File Inquiry. | | | | | | |
| 819 820 | Modification to Quarterly Refund Modifier Edit for Automatic Implantable Cardiac Defibrillator Services. Sites of Service Revenue Codes for Rural Health Clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers. | | | | | | |
| 821 | General Billing Requirements. Billing and Payment of Certain Colorectal Cancer Screenings for Non-Patients. Type of Bill 14X. | | | | | | |
| | Payment. Billing Requirements for Claims Submitted to Fiscal Intermediaries. | | | | | | |
| 822 | Update of Radiopharmaceutical Imaging Agents Healthcare Common Procedure. Coding System Codes Applicable to Positron Emission Tomography. | | | | | | |
| 823 | Tracer Codes Required for Positron Emission Tomography Scans. New Temporary Code for Battery for Power Mobility Devices. | | | | | | |
| 020 | Description of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System. | | | | | | |
| 824 | | | | | | | |
| 825 826 | System Edits for Respiratory Assist Devices with Bi-Level Capability and a Back-Up Rate. April Quarterly Update to the 2006 Annual Update of Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Codes Used for Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing Enforcement. | | | | | | |
| 827 | Use of 12X Type of Bill for Billing Screening Mammography, Screening Pelvic Examinations, and Screening Pap Smears. Billing Requirements—Fiscal Intermediary Claims. | | | | | | |
| | Rural Health Center/Federally Qualified Health Center Claims With Dates of Service on or After January 1, 2002. Type of Bill and Revenue Codes for Form CMS–1450. | | | | | | |
| 828 | Revenue Code and Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Codes for Billing. Mammography Facility Certification File—Updated Procedures and Content Mammography Quality Standards Act. Mammography Quality Standards Act File. | | | | | | |
| 829 | Modification of Roster Billing for Mass Immunizers Billing for Inpatient Part B Services (Type of Bills 12X and 22X). Claims Submitted to Intermediaries for Mass Immunizations of Influenza and Pneumococcal Pneumonia Vaccine. | | | | | | |
| 830 | Denial of Claims Not Timely Filed. Time Limitations for Filing Provider Claims to Fiscal Intermediaries and Carriers. | | | | | | |
| | Determination of Untimely Filing and Resulting Actions. | | | | | | |
| | Time Limitations for Filing Part B Reasonable Charge and Fee Schedule Claims. Time Limit for Filing. | | | | | | |
| 831 | Shared Systems Medicare Secondary Payer Balancing Edit and Administrative Simplification Compliance Act Enforcement Up- date. | | | | | | |
| | Crossover Claim Requirements. Enforcement. | | | | | | |
| 832 | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 868. | | | | | | |
| 833 | Medicare Remit Easy Print Enhancements, and Clarification of Check Issue/Electronic Funds Transfer Effective Date. | | | | | | |
| 834 | Revision to Health Professional Shortage Area and Physician Scarcity Area Bonus Billing for Some Globally Billed Services. Services Eligible for Health Professional Shortage Act and Physician Scarcity Bonus Payment. | | | | | | |
| 835 | New Temporary Codes for Adjustable Wheelchair Cushions. | | | | | | |
| 836 837 | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 843. Coordination of Benefits Agreement Full Claim File Repair Process. | | | | | | |
| 007 | Coordination of Benefits Agreement Detailed Error Report Notification Process. | | | | | | |

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| | Coordination of Benefits Agreement Full Claim File Repair Process. |
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| 838 | Corrections to Common Working File Editing of Home Health Prospective Payment System Claims Regarding Non-Covered Episodes and Prior Inpatient Stays and Fiscal Intermediary Shared System Implementation of 2006 Therapy Code Update. |
| 839 | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 866. |
| | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 882. |
| | MCS Screen Expansion for the Prescription Order Number for the Competitive Acquisition Program for Part B Drugs to be De veloped Over the July 2006 and October 2006 Release With Final Implementation on October 2, 2006. |
| 843 | Issued to a specific audience, not posted to Internet/Intranet due to Confidentiality of Instruction. Inpatient Admission Followed by Discharge or Death Prior to Room Assignment. Charges to Beneficiaries for Part A Services. |
| | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 890. |
| | National Council for Prescription Drug Program Coordination of Benefits Workaround Instructions. |
| | New Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing Web Site Address. |
| | Services Beyond the Scope of the Part A Skilled Nursing Facility Benefit. |
| | Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing Annual Update Process for Fiscal Intermediaries. Edit for Therapy Services Separately Payable When Furnished by a Physician. |
| | Annual Update Process. |
| | Billing for Medical and Other Health Services. |
| | Carrier Claims Processing for Consolidated Billing for Physician and Non-Physician Practitioner Services Rendered to Bene |
| | ficiaries in a Non-Covered Skilled Nursing Facility Stay. |
| | Hold on Medicare Payments. |
| | Issued to a specific audience, not posted to Internet/Intranet due to Confidentiality of Instruction. Update to the End-stage Renal Disease Composite Payment Rates. |
| | Drug Payment Amounts for Facilities. |
| 850 | Change Payment Floor Date for Paper Claims. |
| | Payment Floor Standards. |
| 851 | Revisions to Instructions for Contractors Other Than the Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Specialty Contractor Re- |
| | garding Claims for Beneficiaries With Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Election. Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Admission. |
| | Designated Fiscal Intermediaries and Carriers. |
| | Billing and Processing Instructions for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Claims. |
| | Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Election Process. |
| | Requirement for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Election. |
| | Revocation of Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Election. |
| | Completion of the Uniform (Institutional Provider) Bill (Form CMS 1450) Notice of Election for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions. |
| | Common Working File Processing of Elections, Revocations and Cancelled Elections. |
| | Billing Process for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Services. |
| | When to Bill for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Services. |
| | Required Data Elements on Claims for Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institution Services. |
| | Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Claims Processing by Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Specialty Contractor. |
| | Informing Beneficiaries of the Results of Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Claims Processing. |
| | Billing and Payment of Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Items and Services Furnished in the Home. |
| | Processing Claims For Beneficiaries With Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Elections by Contractors Other Than |
| | the Religious Nonmedical Health Care Institutions Specialty Intermediary. |
| | Recording Determinations of Excepted/Nonexcepted Care on Claim Records Informing Beneficiaries of the Results of Excepted |
| 852 | Nonexcepted Care Determinations by the Non-specialty Contractor. Ambulance Fee Schedule—CY 2006 Update: Correction to CR 4061 Ambulance Inflation Factor. |
| | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 855. |
| | Medicare Summary Notice Format Changes for Durable Medical Equipment. |
| | Medicare Administrative Contracts Transition. |
| | Title Section of the Medicare Summary Notice. |
| | Appeals Section. |
| | Therapy Caps Exception Process. The Financial Limitation. |
| | January 2006 Quarterly Average Sales Price Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File, Effective January 1, 2006, and Revisions to |
| | April 2005, July 2005, and October 2005 Quarterly Average Sales Price Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Files. |
| | Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Update—Payment Limit for J7620. |
| | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 873. |
| | Remittance Advice Remark Code and Claim Adjustment Reason Code Update. Remittance Advice Remark Code and Claim Adjustment Reason Code Update. |
| | Sunset of the Policies for Provider Nominations for an Intermediary and the Provider Requests for a Change of Intermediary– |
| | Revisions to Publication 100–04, Chapter 1, Section 20. |
| | Provider Assignment to a Fiscal Intermediary. |
| | Provider Change of Ownership. |
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| | Multi-State Provider Chains Billing Fiscal Intermediaries. |
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| 862 | Appeals of Claims Decisions: Administrative Law Judge; Departmental Appeals Board; U.S. District Court Review. Administrative Law Judge—The Third Level of Appeal. | | | | | | |
| | Right to an Administrative Law Judge Hearing. | | | | | | |
| | Requests for an Administrative Law Judge Hearing. Forwarding Request to Department of Health & Human Services/Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals. | | | | | | |
| | Review and Effectuation of Administrative Law Judge Decisions. | | | | | | |
| | Effectuation Time Limits & Responsibilities. | | | | | | |
| | Duplicate Administrative Law Judge Decisions. Payment of Interest on Administrative Law Judge Decisions. | | | | | | |
| | Departmental Appeals Board—The Fourth Level of Appeal. | | | | | | |
| | Recommending Agency Referral of Administrative Law Judge Decisions or Dismissals. | | | | | | |
| | Effectuation of Departmental Appeal Board Orders and Decisions. Requests for Case Files. | | | | | | |
| | Payment of Interest on Departmental Appeals Board Decisions. | | | | | | |
| | U.S. District Court Review—The Fifth Level of Appeal. | | | | | | |
| | Requests for U.S District Court Review by a Party. Effectuation of U.S District Court Decisions. | | | | | | |
| | Payment of Interest of U.S. District Court Decisions. | | | | | | |
| 863 | Update to Chapter 20, "Billing for Oxygen and Oxygen Equipment," Section 130.6. | | | | | | |
| 864 | Billing for Oxygen and Oxygen Equipment. Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination Edit Software for April 2006. | | | | | | |
| 865 | | | | | | | |
| | Verifying Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act Certification. | | | | | | |
| | Certificate for Physician-Performed Microscopy Procedures. Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act License or Licensure Exemption. | | | | | | |
| 866 | Additional Requirements for the Competitive Acquisition Program for Part B Drugs. | | | | | | |
| | Duplicates. | | | | | | |
| | General Information Section. Duplicados. | | | | | | |
| | Seccion De Informacion General. | | | | | | |
| | The Competitive Acquisition Program of Outpatient Drugs and Biologicals Under Part B. | | | | | | |
| | Physician Election and Information Transfer Between Carriers and the Designated Carrier for Competitive Acquisition Program Claims. | | | | | | |
| | Physician Information for the Designated Carrier. | | | | | | |
| | Quarterly Updates. | | | | | | |
| | Format for Data. Physician Information for the Vendors. | | | | | | |
| | Claims Processing Instructions for Competitive Acquisition Program Claims for The Local Carrier. | | | | | | |
| | Competitive Acquisition Program Required Modifiers. | | | | | | |
| | Submitting the Administration/Evaluation and Management Services and the No Pay Service Lines. | | | | | | |
| | Submitting the Prescription Order Numbers and No Pay Modifiers. Competitive Acquisition Program Claims Submitted With Only the No Pay Line. | | | | | | |
| | Only Competitive Acquisition Program Related Services on a Claim. | | | | | | |
| | Use of the Restocking Modifier. | | | | | | |
| | Use of the Furnish as Written Modifier. Monitoring of Claims Submitted With the J2 and/or J3 Modifiers. | | | | | | |
| | Claims Submitted for Only Drugs Listed on the Approved CAP Vendors Drug List. | | | | | | |
| | Application of Local Medical Review Policies. | | | | | | |
| | Claims Processing Instructions for the Designated Carrier. Creation of Internal Vendor Provider Files. | | | | | | |
| | Submission of Paper Claims by Vendors. | | | | | | |
| | Submission of Claims from Vendors With the J1 No Pay Modifier. | | | | | | |
| | Submission of Claims from Vendors Without a Provider Primary Identifier for The Ordering Physician. New Medicare Summary Notice Message To Be Included on All Vendor Claims Additional Medical Information. | | | | | | |
| | Competitive Acquisition Program Fee Schedule. | | | | | | |
| | Matching the Physician Claim to the Vendor Claim. | | | | | | |
| | Denials Due to Medical Necessity. Denials For Reasons Other Than Medical Necessity. | | | | | | |
| | Changes to Pay/Process Indicators. | | | | | | |
| | Post-Payment Overpayment Recovery Actions. | | | | | | |
| | Pending and Recycling the Claim When All Lines Do Not Have a Match. Creation of a Weekly Report for Claims That Have Pended More Than 90 Days and Subsequent Action. | | | | | | |
| | Coordination of Benefits. | | | | | | |
| | National Claims History. | | | | | | |
| | Adding New Drugs to Competitive Acquisition Program. Updating Fee Schedule for New Drugs in Competitive Acquisition Program. | | | | | | |
| | Non-Participating Physicians Who Elect the Competitive Acquisition Program. | | | | | | |
| | Discarded Drugs and Biologicals. | | | | | | |
| | Carrier Specific Requirements for Certain Specialties/Services. | | | | | | |

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| 867 | Elimination of the Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier Information Form. Billing Drugs Electronically—National Council of Prescription Drug Programs. | | | | | |
| 368 | Certificate of Medical Necessity. Payment of Same Day Transfer Claims Under the Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Prospective Payment System. | | | | | |
| 369 | Installation of Pricing Software Containing the Customer Information Control System Formatting Update. | | | | | |
| 570 | Type of Service Corrections. | | | | | |
| 71 | 2005 Revised American National Standards Institute X12N 837 Professional Health Care Claim Companion Document. | | | | | |
| 72 | New Waived Tests. | | | | | |
| 73 | Increase Remittance File Retention. | | | | | |
| 74 | Instructions for Downloading the Medicare Zip Code File. | | | | | |
| 75 | Maintenance and Update of the Temporary Hook Created to Hold Out Patient Prospective Payment System Claims That I clude Certain Drug Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Codes. | | | | | |
| 376 | April 2006 Quarterly Average Sales Price Medicare Part B Drug Pricing File and Revisions to January 2005, April 2005, Ju 2005, October 2005, and January 2006 Quarterly Average Sales Price Medicare Part B Drug Pricing Files. | | | | | |
| 377 | Changes in Transitional Outpatient Payments for Rural Sole Community Hospitals and Small Rural Hospitals for 2006. | | | | | |
| 378 | Healthcare Integrated General Ledger Accounting System and 835 Implementation Guide Provider Adjustment Code Mappir and Standard Paper Remittance Advice Changes. | | | | | |
| 379 | Announcement of Federally Qualified Health Centers Designation As Urban and Rural—Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidate Billing As It Applies to FQHC Services Furnished to Swing-Bed Patients. | | | | | |
| 380 | April Quarterly Update for 2006 Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies Fee Schedule. | | | | | |
| 381 | Outpatient Prospective Payment System Hospital Emergency Room Services Exceeding 24 Hours. Accurate Reporting of Surgical and Medical Procedures and Services. | | | | | |
| 382 | Hospital Billing for Take-Home Drugs. | | | | | |
| | Claims Processing Jurisdiction for Oral Anti-Emetic Drugs. | | | | | |
| | Billing and Payment Instructions for Fiscal Intermediaries. | | | | | |
| 383 | Claims Processing Requirements for Medicare Beneficiaries in State or Local Custody Under a Penal Authority—Manualization | | | | | |
| 84 | Issued to a specific audience, not posted to Internet/Intranet due to Confidentiality of Instruction. | | | | | |
| 85 | Suppression of Standard Paper Remittance Advice to Providers and Suppliers Also Receiving Electronic Remittance Advice f | | | | | |
| | 45 Days or More. | | | | | |
| | Medicare Remit Easy Print Software for Carrier and Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier Provider/Supplier Use. | | | | | |
| 386 | April 2006 Update to the Medicare Outpatient Code Editor Version 21.2 for Bills From Hospitals That Are Not Paid Under Th | | | | | |
| 387 | Outpatient Prospective Payment System. Correction to Change Request 4282—Application of Temporary 5 Percent Payment Increase for Home Health Services Fu | | | | | |
| | nished in a Rural Area for One Year Under the Home Health Prospective Payment System. | | | | | |
| 88 | April 2006 Outpatient Prospective Payment System Code Editor Specifications Version 7.1. | | | | | |
| 389 | This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 897. Guidelines for Payment of Vaccine (Pneumococcal Pneumonia Virus, Influenza Virus, and Hepatitis B Virus) Administration. | | | | | |
| 390 | Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System and Diagnosis Codes. | | | | | |
| | Fiscal Intermediary Payment for Pneumococcal Pneumonia Virus, Influenza Virus, and Hepatitis B Virus Vaccines and Their A ministration. | | | | | |
| 91 | Redesignate HCPCS Codes J8597 and E1239 to Their Proper Common Working File Category. | | | | | |
| 392 | Eligibility Transaction URL update. | | | | | |
| | Eligiblity Extranet Workflow. | | | | | |
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| 395 | | | | | | |
| | Remittance Advice Notices. | | | | | |
| | Medicare Summary Notice Messages. | | | | | |
| 396 | April 2006 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System: Summary of Payment Policy Changes. | | | | | |
| 97 | April Update to the 2006 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database. | | | | | |
| 398 | External Counterpulsation Therapy. | | | | | |
| | Billing and Payment Requirements. | | | | | |
| | Special Intermediary Billing and Payment Requirements. | | | | | |
| 399 | Revised Health Insurance Claim Form CMS–1500. | | | | | |
| | Items 14–33—Provider of Service or Supplier Information. | | | | | |
| | Patient's Request for Medicare Payment Form CMS-1490S. | | | | | |
| | Printing Standards and Print File Specifications Form CMS-1500. | | | | | |
| | Medicare Secondary Payer (CMS Pub. 100–05) | | | | | |
| 47 | Medicare Secondary Payer Debt Collection and Referral Updates. | | | | | |
| | Debt and Debtor Definitions. | | | | | |
| | Debt Selection and Verification. | | | | | |
| | Debt Selection Criteria. | | | | | |
| | Debts Excluded From Referral. | | | | | |
| | Monitoring Debts Excluded From the Debt Collection Improvement Act Referral Process. | | | | | |
| | Validation of Possible Eligible Debts for Referral. | | | | | |
| | Issuance of the "Intent to Refer" Letter and Inquiries/Replies Related to Debt Collection Improvement Act Activities. | | | | | |

Issuance of the "Intent to Refer" to Treasury Letter. Responding to Correspondence as a Result of the Issuance of the Intent to Refer Letter.

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| 48 | Debt Collection System and Debt Collection System Entry. Debt Collection System. Debt Collection System Entry of Delinquent Debt. Contractor Actions Subsequent to Debt Collection System Entry. Steps Contractors Shall Take Upon Knowledge or Receipt of Certain Information. Debt Collection Improvement Act Treasury Collection (Placeholder) Financial Reporting. Request for Claims Detail in Support of Medicare's Debt. |
| | Medicare Financial Management (CMS Pub. 100–06) |
| 88 90 91 92 | Completing Physician Scarcity Area Quarterly Report, Form CMS–1565F, CROWD Report 6. Checking Reports. Mandated Use of Autoload Program in System Tracking for Audit and Reimbursement. Recurring Update Notification for the Notice of New Interest Rate for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments. |
| | Medicare State Operations Manual (CMS Pub. 100–07) |
| 16 17 18 | Speech Language Pathology Services," and Appendix K—"Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities". Revisions to Chapter 2, The Certification Process. |
| | Medicare Program Integrity (CMS Pub. 100–08) |
| 135 | Prepayment Edits. Location of Postpayment Reviews. Notification of Provider(s) or Supplier(s) and Beneficiaries of the Postpayment Review Results. Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Postpayment Review and Next Steps. Postpayment Files. Overpayment Procedures. Fraud or Willful Misrepresentation Exists—Fraud Suspensions. Overpayment Exists But the Amount Is Not Determined—General Suspensions. Payments to be Made May Not be Correct—General Suspensions. Provider Fails to Furnish Records and Other Requested Information—General Suspensions. CMS Approval. Prior Notice Versus Concurrent Notice. Content of Notice. Shortening the Notice Period for Cause. Mailing the Notice to the Provider. Opportunity for Rebuttal. Claims Review. Duration of Suspension of Payment. Removing the Suspension. Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers and Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier Program Safeguard Contrac- tors. Other Multi-Regional Contractors. Informational Copies to Primary Government Task Leaders, Associate Government. Task Leaders, Subject Matter Experts, or CMS Regional Office. Notification of Provider or Supplier of the Review and Selection of the Review Site. |
| 136 | Sampling Methodology Overturned. Policy Changes to Program Integrity Manual. Contractor Medical Director. |
| 137 | Provider Enrollment Workload and Timeliness Reports. |

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| 138 139 140 | Tracking Requirements. This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 142. This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 140. Therapy Caps Exception Process. Exception from the Uniform Dollar Limitation. | | | | | |
| 141 | Prepay Complex Review Workload and Cost. Modification to the Unique Physician Identification Number Process. National Registry of Physicians/Health Care Practitioners/Group Practices. Ongoing Data Collection on Physicians/Health Care Practitioners/Group Practices Applications. Physicians/Health Care Practitioners/Group Practices Memberships. Validation of Physician/Health Care Practitioner/Group Practice Credentials, Certification, Sanction, and License Information for Prior Practices. Unique Physician Identification Number Cross-Referral Requirement. Maintaining Physician/Health Care Practitioner/Group Practice Stating. Unique Physician/Health Care Practitioner/Group Practice Stating. Update Records. Add Records. Adding Physician/Health Care Practitioner/Group Practice Setting. Update Records. Rejections. Exceptions. Batching Procedures. Privacy Act Requirements. Release of Unique Physician Identification Numbers. Release of Unique Physician Identification Numbers to Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Clinical Nurse Specialists, and Physician Automatic Notifications. Unique Physician Identification Number Directory. Unique Physician Identification Number Stor Opering/Referring Physicians. Common Working File Edits and Claims Processing Requirements. Surrogate Unique Physician Identification Numbers. Cartier Registry Telecommunications Interface. AT&T Global Network Service/Compact Disc. File Transfer. | | | | | |
| 142 | Registry Customer Information Control System. T-Mail. New Durable Medical Equipment Prosthetic, Orthotics & Supplies Certificates of Medical Necessity and Durable Medical Equipment Medications Specifications for Areas Selected for Prepayment or Postpayment Medical Review. Home Use of Durable Medical Equipment. Hules Concerning Prescriptions (Orders). Physician Orders. Written Orders. Written Orders. Written Orders. Certificates of Medical Necessity and Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractor Information Forms. Completing a Certificate of Medical Necessity or Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractors Information Form. Cover Letters for Certificates of Medical Necessity. Acceptability of Faxed Orders and Facsimile or Electronic Certificates of Medical Necessity and Durable Medical Equipment Administrative Contractors Information Forms. Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractors and Durable Medical Equipment Program Safeguard Contractors for Administrative Contractors and Certificates of Medical Necessity are Identified. Nurse Practitioner or Clinical Nurse Specialist Rules Concerning Orders and Certificates of Medical Necessity. Physician Assistant Rules Concerning Orders and Certificates of Medical Necessity. Providence of Medical Necessity. Physician Assistant Rules Concerning Orders and Certificates of Medical Necessity. <td< td=""></td<> | | | | | |

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| 143 144 | Items Eligible for Advance Determination of Medicare Coverage. Instructions for Submitting Advance Determination of Medicare Coverage Requests. Instructions for Processing Advance Determination of Medicare Coverage Requests. Affirmative Advance Determination of Medicare Coverage Decisions. Negative Advance Determination of Medicare Coverage Decisions. Durable Medical Equipment Program Safeguard Contractor Tracking. Demand Letters. Various Benefit Integrity Revisions. The Medicare Fraud Program. Requests for Information From Outside Organizations. Closing Cases. Affiliated Contractor and Program Safeguard Contractor Coordination on Voluntary Refunds. Immediate Advisements to the Office of the Inspector General/Office of Investigations. |
| 145 | Eliminate the Use of Surrogate Unique Physician Identification Numbers (OTH000) on Medicare Claims. |
| | Medicare Contractor Beneficiary and Provider Communications (CMS Pub. 100–09) |
| 00 | None. |
| | Medicare Managed Care (CMS Pub. 100–16) |
| 78 79 80 | |
| | Medicare Business Partners Systems Security (CMS Pub. 100–17) |
| 07 | Business Partner Systems Security Manual. |
| | Demonstrations (CMS Pub. 100–19) |
| 37 | Issued to a specific audience, not posted to Internet/Intranet due to Confidentiality of Instruction. This Transmittal is rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 41. Amendments to Section 651 Chiropractic Services Demonstration—Changes to CPT 98943 rate published in CR 4225 Due to Passage of the Deficit Reduction Act, and revisions to CPT codes for 2006. 2006 Oncology Demonstration Project—Inclusion of Gynecological Oncology (Supplement to CR 4219). 2006 Oncology Demonstration Project. |
| | One Time Notification (CMS Pub. 100–20) |
| 200 | Defibrilators. |
| 201 | Calculation of the Interim Payment of Indirect Medical Education Through the Inpatient Prospective Payment System Pricer for Hospitals That Received an Increase to their Full-time Equivalent Resident Caps Under Section 422 of the Medicare Mod- ernization Act, Pub. L. 108–173. Issued to a specific audience, not posted to Internet/Intranet due to Sensitivity of Instruction. |
| 203 | New 2006 Payment Rate for Services Paid Under the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule. Analysis of Systems Changes Needed to Generate Unsolicited Responses to the Veterans Administration. Q4080—Change in Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Code Descriptor. Creation of a Second Participation Enrollment Period for 2006. Temporary 5 Percent Payment Increase for Home Health Services Furnished in a Rural Area for One Year Under the Home Health Prospective Payment System, Change of the Home Health Prospective Payment System Calendar Year (CY) 2006 Update from that of 2.8 Percent Update (Home Health Market Basket Update of 3.6 Minus 0.8 Percentage Point) to that of a Zero Percent Update. Full Replacement of CR 3980, Termination of Existing Crossover Agreements as Trading Partners Transition to the National Coordination of Benefits Agreement Program (CR 3980 is rescinded.). Issued to a specific audience, not posted to Internet/Intranet due to Sensitivity of Instruction. |
| 214 215 216 217 | Payment for Power Mobility Device Claims. Contractor Number Change for Noridian Administrative Services' Idaho and Oregon Part A Workloads. |

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ADDENDUM IV.-REGULATION DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER

| Publication date | FR vol. 71 page No. | CFR parts affected | File code | Title of regulation |
|-------------------|------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|
| January 17, 2006 | 2617 | 419 | CMS-1501-CN2 | Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System and Calendar Year 2006 Payment Rates; Correction. |
| January 23, 2006 | 3616 | 412 and 424 | CMS1306-P | Medicare Program, Impatient Psychiatric Facilities Pro- spective Payment System Payment Update for Rate Year Beginning July 1, 2006 (RY 2007). |
| January 27, 2006 | 4648 | 412 | CMS-1485-P | Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System for Long-term Care Hospitals RY 2007: Proposed An- nual Payment Rate Updates, Policy Changes, and Clarification. |
| January 27, 2006 | 4591 | | CMS-1318-N | Medicare Program; Meeting of the Practicing Physi- cians Advisory Council, March 6, 2006. |
| January 27, 2006 | 4590 | | CMS-1328-N | Medicare Program; February 15, 2006 Town Hall Meeting on the Practice Expense Methodology In- cluding the Proposal From the Physician Fee Sched- ule Proposed Rule for Calendar Year 2006. |
| January 27, 2006 | 4589 | | CMS-3162-N | Medicare Program; Meeting of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee—March 30, 2006. |
| January 27, 2006 | 4586 | | CMS-3144-FN | Medicare Program; Approval of Adjustment in Payment Amounts for New Technology Intraocular Lenses Furnished by Ambulatory Surgical Centers. |
| January 27, 2006 | 4584 | | CMS-2228-PN | Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Application by the TUV Healthcare Specialists for Deeming Authority for Hospitals. |
| January 27, 2006 | 4518 | 414 | CMS-1167-F | Medicare Program; Payment for Respiratory Assist De- vices With Bi-Level Capability and a Backup Rate. |
| February 10, 2006 | 6991 | 413 | CMS-1126-RCN | Medicare Program; Provider Bad Debt Payment; Ex- tension of Timeline for Publication of Final Rule. |
| February 24, 2006 | 9564 | | CMS-2227-FN | Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Approval of Deem- ing Authority of the Accreditation Commission for Healthcare (ACHC) for Home Health Agencies. |
| February 24, 2006 | 9562 | | CMS-1332-NC | Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Announcement of an Application From a Hospital Requesting Waiver From Its Designated Organ Procurement Service Area. |
| February 24, 2006 | 9561 | | CMS-4115-N | Medicare Program; Request for Nominations for the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education. |
| February 24, 2006 | 9505 | 412 and 413 | CMS-1306-CN | Medicare Program; Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Pro- spective Payment System Payment Update for Rate Year Beginning July 1, 2006 (RY 2007); Correction and Extension of Comment Period. |
| February 24, 2006 | 9466 | 411 and 489 | CMS-6272-IFC | Medicare Program; Medicare Secondary Payer Amendments. |
| February 24, 2006 | 9458 | 405, 410, 411, 413, 414, 424 and 426. | CMS-1502-F2 and CMS- 1325-F. | Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule for Calendar Year 2006 and Certain Provisions Related to the Competitive Acquisition Program of Outpatient Drugs and Biologicals Under Part B; Correcting Amend- ment. |
| March 3, 2006 | 11027 | 412 and 413 | CMS-1306-CN | Medicare Program; Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Pro- spective Payment Update for Rate Year Beginning July 1, 2006 (RY 2007); Correction and Extension of Comment Period. |
| March 15, 2006 | 13469 | 405, 410, 411, 413, 414, 424 and 426. | CMS-1502-F2 and CMS- 1325-F. | Medicare Program; Revisions to Payment Policies Under the Physician Fee Schedule for Calendar Year 2006 and Certain Provisions Related to the Competitive Acquisition Program of Outpatient Drugs and Biologicals Under Part B; Correcting Amend- ment. |
| March 24, 2006 | 14924 | | CMS-1281-N | Medicare Program; Public Meetings in Calendar Year 2006 for All New Public Requests for Revisions to the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Coding and Payment Determinations. |
| March 24, 2006 | 14922 | | CMS-4117-PN | Medicare Program; Application for Deeming Authority for Medicare Advantage Health Maintenance Organi- zations and Local Preferred Provider Organizations Submitted by URAC. |

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| Publication date | FR vol. 71 page No. | CFR parts affected | File code | Title of regulation |
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| March 24, 2006 | 14903 | | CMS-9034-N | Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—October Through December 2005. |
| March 24, 2006 | 14901 | | CMS-3163-N | Medicare Program; Request for Nominations for Mem- bers of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee and Notice of Meeting of the Medicare Coverage Ad- visory Committee—May 18, 2006. |
| March 24, 2006 | 14900 | | CMS-1269-N7 | Medicare Program; Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) Technical Advisory Group (TAG): Announcement of a New Member. |

Addendum V—National Coverage Determinations

[January Through March 2006]

A national coverage determination (NCD) is a determination by the Secretary with respect to whether or not a particular item or service is covered nationally under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, but does not include a determination of what code, if any, is assigned to a particular item or

service covered under this title, or determination with respect to the amount of payment made for a particular item or service so covered. We include below all of the NCDs that were issued during the quarter covered by this notice. The entries below include information concerning completed decisions as well as sections on program and decision memoranda, which also announce pending decisions or, in some cases, explain why it was not appropriate to issue an NCD. We identify completed decisions by the section of the NCDM in which the decision appears, the title, the date the publication was issued, and the effective date of the decision. Information on completed decisions as well as pending decisions has also been posted on the CMS Web site at http:// cms.hhs.gov/coverage.

NATIONAL COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS

[January through March 2006]

| Title | NCDM section | TN No. | Issue date | Effective date |
|--|-----------------|--------|------------|----------------|
| Cardiac Catheterization Performed in Other Than a Hospital Setting | | R46NCD | 1/27/06 | 1/18/06 |
| Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA125 to Add Primary Peritoneal Carcinoma | | R47NCD | 2/24/06 | 1/1/06 |
| Technical Corrections to the NCD Manual | | R48NCD | 3/17/06 | 3/17/06 |
| Microvolt T-Wave Alternans Diagnostic Testing | | R49NCD | 3/24/06 | 3/21/06 |
| External Counterpulsation Therapy | | R50NCD | 3/31/06 | 3/20/06 |

* NA (not available).

Addendum VI—FDA-Approved Category B IDEs

[January Through March 2006]

Under the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360c) devices fall into one of three classes. To assist CMS under this categorization process, the FDA assigns one of two categories to each FDA-approved IDE. Category A refers to experimental IDEs, and Category B refers to non-experimental IDEs. To obtain more information about the classes or categories, please refer to

the Federal Register notice published on April 21, 1997 (62 FR 19328). The following list includes all Category B IDEs approved by FDA during the first quarter, January through March 2006: G040138, G050054, G050157, G050185, G050189, G050201, G050209, G050212, G050213, G050215, G050219, G050226, G050246, G050248, G050250, G050251, G050253, G050260, G060004, G060005, G060010, G060011, G060014, G060015, G060016, G060018, G060020, G060022, G060023, G060024, G060025, G060027, G060028, G060030,

G060031, G060043, G060046, G060047, G060048, and G060051.

Addendum VII—Approval Numbers for **Collections of Information**

Below we list all approval numbers for collections of information in the referenced sections of CMS regulations in Title 42; Title 45, Subchapter C; and Title 20 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget:

OMB CONTROL NUMBERS

Approved CFR Sections in Title 42, Title 45, and Title 20 (Note: Sections in Title 45 are preceded by "45 CFR," and sections in Title 20 are preceded by "20 CFR")]

| OMB No. | Approved CFR sections | |
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| 0938–0008 0938–0022 0938–0023 0938–0025 | 413.20, 413.24, 413.106. 424.103. | |
| 0938–0027 | 486.100–486.110. | |

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| OME | 3 No. | Approved CFR sections |
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| 0938-0033 | | 405.807. |
| 0938-0034 | | 405.821. |
| 0938-0035 | | 407.40. |
| 0938-0037 | | 413.20, 413.24. |
| 0938–0041 | | 408.6, 408.202. |
| 0938-0042 | | 410.40, 424.124. |
| 0938-0045 | | 405.711. |
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Addendum VIII—Medicare-Approved Carotid Stent Facilities

[January Through March 2006]

On March 17, 2005, we issued our decision memorandum on carotid artery stenting. We determined that carotid artery stenting with embolic protection is reasonable and necessary only if performed in facilities that have been determined to be competent in performing the evaluation, procedure, and follow-up necessary to ensure optimal patient outcomes. We have created a list of minimum standards for facilities modeled in part on professional society statements on competency. All facilities must at least meet our standards in order to receive coverage for carotid artery stenting for high risk patients.

Effective Date 1/4/06

Grant Medical Center 111 S. Grant Avenue Columbus, OH 43215 Medicare Provider #360017 *Effective Date 1/6/06* Genesis HealthCare System 2951 Maple Avenue Zanesville, OH 43701 Medicare Provider #360039 St. Joseph Regional Health Center 2801 Franciscan Drive Bryan, TX 77802 Medicare Provider #450011 Washington Hospital Healthcare System 2000 Mowry Avenue Fremont, CA 94538–1716 Medicare Provider #050195

Effective Date 1/12/06

Sparrow Hospital 1215 E. Michigan P.O. Box 30480 Lansing, MI 48909–7980 Medicare Provider #230230 St. Mary's of Michigan Hospital 800 S. Washington Ave. Saginaw, MI 48601–2524 Medicare Provider #230077

Effective Date 1/18/06

Michael Reese Hospital 2929 South Ellis Avenue Chicago, IL 06016 Medicare Provider #140075

St. Vincent Infirmary Medical Center Two St. Vincent Circle Little Rock, AR 72205–5499 Medicare Provider #040007 St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center 2213 Cherry Street Toledo, OH 43608–2691 Medicare Provider #360112 Touro Infirmary 1401 Foucher Street New Orleans, LA 70115–3593 Medicare Provider #190046

Effective Date 1/20/06

Carroll Hospital Center 200 Memorial Avenue Westminster, MD 21157 Medicare Provider #210033 DeTar Healthcare System P.O. Box 2089 Victoria, TX 77902 Medicare Provider #450147 Long Beach Memorial Medical Center 2801 Atlantic Avenue Long Beach, CA 90806–1737 Medicare Provider #050485 Effective Date 1/23/06

California Pacific Medical Center-Pacific Campus 2333 Buchanan Street P.O. Box 7999 San Francisco, CA 94102 Medicare Provider #050047 MacNeal Hospital 3249 South Oak Park Avenue Berwyn, IL 60402 Medicare Provider #140054 Silver Cross Hospital 1200 Maple Road Joliet, IL 60432 Medicare Provider #140213 St. Joseph Hospital Kirkwood 525 Couch Avenue Kirkwood, MO 63122–5594 Medicare Provider #260081

Effective Date 1/24/06

North Hills Hospital 4401 Booth Calloway Road North Richland Hills, TX 76180 Medicare Provider #450087

Effective Date 1/26/06

Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital 3815 Highland Avenue Downers Grove, IL 60515–1590 Medicare Provider #140288 Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center 801 East LaSalle Avenue South Bend, IN 46617 Medicare Provider #150012 St. Francis Health Center-Topeka Kansas 1700 SW 7th Street Topeka, KS 66606–1690 Medicare Provider #170016

Effective Date 2/1/06

Centro Cardiovascular de Puerto Rico y del Caribe P.O. Box 366528 San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936–6528 Medicare Provider #400124 Glenwood Regional Medical Center P.O. Box 35805 West Monroe, LA 71294–5805 Medicare Provider #190160 Southern Ocean County Hospital 1140 Route 72 West Manahawkin, NJ 08050 Medicare Provider #310113

Effective Date 2/2/06

CHRISTUS Hospital 2830 Calder Avenue P.O. Box 5405 Beaumont, TX 77726–5405 Medicare Provider #450034 Potomac Hospital 2300 Opitz Boulevard Woodbridge, VA 22191 Medicare Provider #490113 Trinity Hospitals One Burdick Expressway West P.O. Box 5020 Minot, ND 58702–5020 Medicare Provider #350006

Effective Date 2/3/06

Beloit Memorial Hospital 1969 West Hart Road Beloit, WI 53511 Medicare Provider #520100

Effective Date 2/6/06

Blount Memorial Hospital 907 E. Lamar Alexander Pkwy Maryville, TN 37804–5016 Medicare Provider #440011 Centinela Freeman Regional Medical Center, Centinela Campus 555 East Hardy Street Inglewood, CA 90301 Medicare Provider #050739 Florida Medical Center 5000 West Oakland Park Blvd Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33313 Medicare Provider #100212 Renaissance Hospital 5500 39th Street Groves, TX 77619 Medicare Provider #450123

Effective Date 2/8/06

Anaheim Memorial Medical Center 1111 West La Palma Avenue Anaheim, CA 92801–2881 Medicare Provider #050226 Baylor Regional Medical Center at Plano 4700 Alliance Boulevard Plano, TX 75093–5323 Medicare Provider #450890 UMass Memorial Medical Center University Campus 55 Lake Avenue North Worcester, MA 01655 Medicare Provider #220163 Lake Forest Hospital 660 North Westmoreland Road

Lake Forest, IL 60045–9989 Medicare Provider #140130

Effective Date 2/10/06

OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center 5666 East State Street Rockford, IL 61108 Medicare Provider #140233 St. Vincent's Hospital P.O. Box 12407 Birmingham, AL 35202–2407 Medicare Provider #010056

Effective Date 2/17/06

Carondelet St. Joseph's Hospital 350 North Wilmot Road Tucson, AZ 85711-2678 Medicare Provider #030011 Cedars-Sinai Medical Center 8700 Beverly Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90048 Medicare Provider #050625 Hemet Valley Medical Center 1117 East Devonshire Avenue Hemet, CA 92543 Medicare Provider #050390 North Colorado Medical Center 1801 16th Street Greeley, CO 80631 Medicare Provider #060001 Saddleback Memorial Medical Center 24451 Health Center Drive Laguna Hills, CA 92653 Medicare Provider #050603 Southwest Florida Regional Medical Center 2727 Winkler Avenue Fort Myers, FL 33901

Medicare Provider #100220

Effective Date 2/22/06

Bridgeport Hospital 267 Grant Street Bridgeport, CT 06610 Medicare Provider #070010 Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center 3000 Herring Avenue P.O. Box 5100 Waco, TX 76708-0100 Medicare Provider #450101 MCSA, LLC dba Medical Center of South Arkansas 700 West Grove El Dorado, AR 71730 Medicare Provider #040088 Union Hospital 659 Boulevard Dover, OH 44622 Medicare Provider #360010 West Jefferson Medical Center 1101 Medical Center Boulevard Marrero, LA 70072 Medicare Provider #190039

Effective Date 2/24/06

Aventura Hospital and Medical Center 20900 Biscayne Boulevard Aventura, FĽ 33180 Medicare Provider #100131 CHRISTUS St. John Hospital 18300 St. John Drive Nassau Bay, TX 77058 Medicare Provider #450709 Flowers Hospital 4370 West Main Street P.O. Box 6907 Dothan, AL 36305 Medicare Provider #010055 North Okaloosa Medical Center 151 Redstone Avenue, East Crestview, FL 32539 Medicare Provider #100122 St. Luke's Community Medical Center 71200 St. Luke's Way, Suite 230 The Woodlands, TX 77384 Medicare Provider #450862 University Hospital and Medical Center 7201 North University Drive Tamarac, FL 33321 Medicare Provider #100224

Effective Date 3/6/06

Fort Hamilton Hospital 630 Eaton Avenue Hamilton, OH 45013 Medicare Provider #360132 **INTEGRIS Southwest Medical Center** 4401 South Western Oklahoma City, OK 73109 Medicare Provider #370106 Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital 11800 Astoria Boulevard Houston, TX 77089 Medicare Provider #450184 Temple University Hospital 3401 North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19140 Medicare Provider #390027 UPMC Passavant 9100 Babcock Boulevard Pittsburgh, PA 15237-5842

Medicare Provider #107920

Effective Date 3/9/06 Enloe Medical Center 1531 Esplanade Chico, CA 95926 Medicare Provider #050039 Northwest Medical Center—Washington County 609 W. Maple Avenue Springdale, AR 72764 Medicare Provider #040022

Effective Date 3/13/06

Northwest Medical Center—Bentonville 3000 Medical Center Parkway Bentonville, AR 72712 Medicare Provider #040138 St. Rose Dominican Hospitals, Siena Campus 3001 St. Rose Parkway Henderson, NV 89052 Medicare Provider #290045

Effective Date 3/20/06

Bayshore Community Hospital 727 North Beers Street Holmdel, NJ 07733 Medicare Provider #310112 JFK Medical Center 65 James Street Edison, NJ 08818 Medicare Provider #310108 Lakewood Regional Medical Center P.O. Box 6070 3700 East South Street Lakewood, CA 90712 Medicare Provider #050581 Memorial Hospital of Burlington 252 McHenry Street P.O. Box 400 Burlington, WI 53105-0400 Medicare Provider #520059 Methodist Heart Hospital 7700 Flovd Curl Drive San Antonio, TX 78229 Medicare Provider #450388 Methodist Specialty and Transplant Hospital 8026 Floyd Curl Drive San Antonio, TX 78229 Medicare Provider #450388 Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center Park Avenue & Randolph Road Plainfield, NJ 07061 Medicare Provider #310063

Effective Date 3/23/06 Danbury Hospital 24 Hospital Avenue Danbury, CT 06810 Medicare Provider #070033 Lake Hospital System, Inc. 10 East Washington Street Painesville, OH 44077-3472 Medicare Provider #360098 Sinai Hospital of Baltimore 2401 West Belvedere Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215-5271 Medicare Provider #210012 Sutter General Hospital dba Sutter Memorial Hospital 5151 F Street Sacramento, CA 95819 Medicare Provider #050108

Valley Hospital Medical Center 620 Shadow Lane Las Vegas, NV 89106 Medicare Provider #290021 Warren Hospital 185 Roseberry Street Phillips, NJ 08865 Medicare Provider #310060

Effective Date 3/28/06

Aurora Medical Center—Kenosha 10400 75th Street Kenosha, WI 53142–7884 Medicare Provider #520189 Caritas Good Samaritan Medical Center 235 N. Pearl Street Brockton, MA 02301 Medicare Provider #220111 Medical City Dallas Hospital 7777 Forest Lane Dallas, TX 75230 Medicare Provider #450647 Southeast Missouri Hospital 1701 Lacey Street Cape Cirardeau, MO 63701 Medicare Provider #260110 St. Joseph Hospital 360 Broadway P.O. Box 403 Bangor, ME 04402-0403 Medicare Provider #200001

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[CMS-1295-N]

Medicare Program; Second Biannual Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) Groups—August 23, 24, and 25, 2006

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), this notice announces the second biannual meeting of the Advisory Panel on Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) Groups (the Panel) for 2006. The purpose of the Panel is to review the APC groups and their associated weights and to advise the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) and the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) concerning the clinical integrity of the APC groups and their associated weights. The advice provided by the Panel will be considered as we prepare the final rule that updates the

hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) for CY 2007.

DATES: *Meeting Dates:* The second biannual meeting for 2006 is scheduled for the following dates and times:

• Wednesday, August 23, 2006, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (e.d.t.).

• Thursday, August 24, 2006, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (e.d.t.).

• Friday, August 25, 2006, 8 a.m. to 12 noon (e.d.t.).

Note: ¹We anticipate that there will be a meeting on Friday, August 25, 2006. However, if the business of the Panel concludes on Thursday, August 24, 2006, the Panel will not meet on August 25, 2006.

² The times listed above are approximate times; consequently, the meetings may last longer than listed above.

Deadlines:

Deadline for Hardcopy Comments/ Suggested Agenda Topics—5 p.m. (e.d.t.), Wednesday, August 2, 2006.

Deadline for Hardcopy Presentations—5 p.m. (e.d.t.), Wednesday, August 2, 2006.

Deadline for Attendance Registration— 5 p.m. (e.d.t.), Wednesday, August 9, 2006.

Deadline for Special Accommodations—5 p.m. (e.d.t.), Wednesday, August 9, 2006.

Submission of Materials to the Designated Federal Officer (DFO): Because of staffing and resource limitations, we cannot accept written comments and presentations by FAX, nor can we print written comments and presentations received electronically for dissemination at the meeting.

Only hardcopy comments and presentations can be reproduced for public dissemination. All hardcopy presentations *must be accompanied by Form CMS–20017*. The form is now available through the CMS Forms Web site. The URL for linking to this form is as follows: *http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ cmsforms/downloads/cms20017.pdf*.

We are also requiring electronic versions of the written comments and presentations (in addition to the hardcopies), so we can send them electronically to the Panel members for their review before the meeting.

Consequently, you must send BOTH electronic and hardcopy versions of your presentations and written comments by the prescribed deadlines. (Electronic transmission must be sent to the e-mail address below, and hardcopies—accompanied by Form CMS-20017—must be mailed to the Designated Federal Officer [DFO], as specified in the FURTHER FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice.)