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MS-DRG Coding requires that diagnostic and procedural information and the discharge status of the beneficiary, as coded and reported by the hospital on its claim, matches both the attending physician description and the information contained in the beneficiary's medical record. Reviewers will validate MS-DRGs for principal and secondary diagnosis and procedures affecting or potentially affecting the MS-DRG assignment. Coding changes may result in a partial overpayment or under payment. Non-receipt of records will result in a full overpayment. Review of Length of Stay and Clinical Validation is not permitted.	0001 - Inpatient Hospital MS-DRG Coding Validation	Inpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional Documentation Request; 5. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations, Reconsiderations, Decisions, and Reviews, (b)- Timeframes and Requirements for Reopening Initial Determinations and Redeterminations Initiated by a Contractor; and (c)- Timeframes and Requirements for Reopening Initial Determinations and Redeterminations Requested by a Party; 6. 42 CFR §405.986- Good Cause for Reopening; 7. Medicare Program Integrity Manual, Chapter 3- Verifying Potential Errors and Taking Corrective Actions, §§3.1- 3.6.6; 8. Medicare Program Integrity Manual, CMS Publication 100-08; Chapter 6- Medicare Contractor Medical Review Guidelines for Specific Services, §6.5.3- DRG Validation Review; 9. CMS Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Manual, Chapter 4- Case Review, Section 4130- DRG Validation Review; 10. Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) Final Rule and Correcting Amendment Tables: CMS-1752-F Table 5 <a href="https://www.cms.gov/medicare/acute-inpatient-pps/fy-2022-ipp-pps-final-rule-home-page">https://www.cms.gov/medicare/acute-inpatient-pps/fy-2022-ipp-pps-final-rule-home-page</a> ; 11. Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 3, §20.1.2.4 B & C, §40.2.4.C & D; 12. ICD-10 Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) and ICD-10- Procedural Coding System (PCS) (ICD-10-PCS) Coding Manual, Official Guidelines for Coding and Reporting, and Addendums	Complex	1/23/2017	Approved
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Documentation will be reviewed to determine if Cataract Surgery meets Medicare coverage criteria, meets applicable coding guidelines, and/or is medically reasonable and necessary.	0002 - Cataract Removal: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC), Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	2 - all applicable states; excluding WPS	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Complex	2/12/2017	Approved
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Claims for sacral nerve stimulation for urinary or fecal incontinence not deemed to be medically necessary will be denied.	0003 - Sacral Neurostimulation: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital, Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC), Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	1/23/2017	Approved
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Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the Skilled Nursing Facility stay meets Medicare coverage criteria, meets applicable coding guidelines, and/or is medically reasonable and necessary.	0004 - Skilled Nursing Facility: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 Code of Federal Regulations 405.980- Reopening of Initial	Complex	5/5/2017	Approved
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The surgical management for the treatment of morbid obesity is considered reasonable and necessary for Medicare beneficiaries who have a BMI ≥ 35, have at least one co-morbidity related to obesity and have been previously	0008 - Bariatric Surgery: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Inpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	1/23/2017	Approved
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Documentation will be reviewed to determine if Cardiac PET Scans meet Medicare coverage criteria, meet applicable coding guidelines, and/or are medically reasonable and necessary.	0010 - Cardiac Positron Emission Tomography Scans: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	3 - Florida, PR and VI ONLY	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Complex	1/24/2017	Approved
Home Services Billed for Hospital Inpatients - Home Services CPT Codes may not be used for billing services provided in settings other than in the private residence of a beneficiary.	0011 - Inappropriate Billing of Home Visit Professional Service Evaluation and Management Codes During Inpatient	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional	Automated	1/29/2017	Approved
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Under the Medicare PPS for inpatient psychiatric facilities (IPF), CMS makes an additional payment to an IPF or a distinct part unit (DPU) for the first day of a beneficiary's stay to account for emergency department costs if the IPF has a	0022 - Inpatient Psychiatric Admission Billed without Source of Admission Equal to "D"	Inpatient Hospital, Inpatient Psychiatric Facility	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer	Automated	2/27/2017	Approved
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Reviewers shall complete a complex medical review to determine if endomyocardial biopsy and right heart catheterization were performed as two distinct services. The review shall identify claims where modifier 59 or XU have been	0027 - Endomyocardial Biopsies and Right Heart Catheterizations that were Not Distinct Services	Outpatient Hospital, Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/3/2017	Approved
Reviewers shall complete a complex medical review to determine if endomyocardial biopsy and right heart catheterization were performed as two distinct services. The review shall identify claims where modifier 59 or XU have been	0027 - Endomyocardial Biopsies and Right Heart Catheterizations that were Not Distinct Services	Outpatient Hospital, Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	3 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/3/2017	Approved
Claims for HCPCS code G0438 billed more than once in a lifetime will be denied. HCPCS code G0438 (Annual wellness visit; includes a personalized prevention plan of service (PPS), initial visit) is a "one time" allowed Medicare benefit per	0028 - Annual Wellness Visits: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	4/26/2017	Approved
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Both Initial Hospital Care codes (CPT codes 99221-99223) and Subsequent Hospital Care codes (CPT Codes 99231-99233) are "per diem" services and may be reported only once per day by the same physician(s) of the same specialty from	0037 - Hospital Services: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to	Automated	3/23/2017	Approved
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If the inpatient care is being billed by the hospital as inpatient hospital care, the hospital care codes apply. If the inpatient care is being billed by the hospital as nursing facility care, then the nursing facility codes apply. Hospital Care CPT codes	0038 - Visits to Patients in Swing Beds: Incorrect Coding	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 2 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	3/23/2017	Approved
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Providers are only allowed to bill the CPT codes for New Patient visits if the patient has not received any face-to-face service from the physician or physician group practice (limited to physicians of the same specialty) within the previous 3	0039 - Ophthalmology Codes for New Patient: Incorrect Coding	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Automated	3/23/2017	Approved





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Carriers may not pay for the technical component (TC) of radiology services furnished to patients in hospital settings. Query identifies TC portion of radiology paid to entities other than the inpatient facility. Findings are limited to claim line billed with modifier TC and claim line for service codes with TC/PC	0062 - Radiology: Technical Component during Inpatient Stay	Radiologists/Part B providers doing radiology service	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	9/8/2017	Approved
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Duplicate claims or line date of service items will be denied.	0064 - Facility Duplicate Claims	Inpatient Hospital; Outpatient Hospital; Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	9/8/2017	Approved
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Inpatient hospital services furnished to a patient or an inpatient psychiatric facility will be reviewed to determine that services were medically reasonable and necessary. Services found to be not medically reasonable and necessary will result in an overpayment.	0067 - Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Services: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital (IP); Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (IPF)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1815(a)- Payment to Providers of Services; 2. Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (SSA), Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (SSA), Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as Secondary Payer; 4. Title XVIII of the Social	Complex	9/8/2017	Approved
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Hospital emergency department services are not payable for the same calendar date as critical care services when billed for the same beneficiary, on the same date of service and by the same service provider (based on Tax ID and Provider Specialty Code).	0070 - Critical Care Billed on the Same Day as Emergency Room Services: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional Documentation Request; 5. 42	Automated	10/5/2017	Approved
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Outpatient service dates that fall totally within inpatient admission and discharge dates at the same or another provider or outpatient bill that overlaps an inpatient admission are considered exact duplicates and should be rejected.	0072 - Outpatient Service Overlapping or During an Inpatient Stay: Duplicate Payments	Outpatient Hospital; Inpatient Hospital Part B, TOB: 12x, 13x	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional Documentation Request; 5. 42	Automated	10/5/2017	Approved
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Medicare only pays for services that are reasonable and necessary for the setting billed. The inpatient rehabilitation facility (IRF) benefit is designed to provide intensive rehabilitation therapy in a resource intensive inpatient hospital environment for beneficiaries who, due to the complexity of their condition	0073 - Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility; Inpatient	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, §1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, §1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. SSA, Title XVII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, §1834(m)(4)(F)- Telehealth Service; 4. 42 CFR §405.929	Complex	10/4/2018	Approved
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Drugs and Biologicals are billed in multiples of the dosage specified in the HCPCS code long descriptor. The number of units billed should be assigned based on the dosage increment specified in that CPT/HCPCS long descriptor, and correspond to	0074 - Drugs and Biologicals: Incorrect Units Billed	Outpatient Hospital; Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	12/21/2017	Approved
Drugs and Biologicals are billed in multiples of the dosage specified in the HCPCS code long descriptor. The number of units billed should be assigned based on the dosage increment specified in that CPT/HCPCS long descriptor, and correspond to	0074 - Drugs and Biologicals: Incorrect Units Billed	Outpatient Hospital; Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	12/21/2017	Approved
The Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) is not payable if an Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) or an Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) has been paid within the previous eleven (11) whole months.	0077 - Annual Wellness Visit Billed Sooner Than Eleven Whole Months Following the Initial Preventive Physical Examination	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	1/9/2018	Approved
The Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) is not payable if an Initial Preventive Physical Examination (IPPE) or an Annual Wellness Visit (AWV) has been paid within the previous eleven (11) whole months.	0077 - Annual Wellness Visit Billed Sooner Than Eleven Whole Months Following the Initial Preventive Physical Examination	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 - all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	1/9/2018	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if Cardiac Pacemakers meet Medicare coverage criteria, meet applicable coding guidelines, and/or are medically reasonable and necessary.	0078 - Cardiac Pacemakers: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital (OP), Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Complex	2/15/2018	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if Cardiac Pacemakers meet Medicare coverage criteria, meet applicable coding guidelines, and/or are medically reasonable and necessary.	0078 - Cardiac Pacemakers: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Complex	2/15/2018	Approved
Cataract removal cannot be performed more than once on the same eye on the same date of service. Providers billing for more than one unit of cataract removal for the same eye, on the same claim line, will be denied. The New Issue indicates the finding is billed on the same claim line with units greater than one for the same	0083 - Cataract Removal Excessive Units - Partial Denial	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner), Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
Cataract removal cannot be performed more than once on the same eye on the same date of service. Providers billing for more than one unit of cataract removal for the same eye, on the same claim line, will be denied. The New Issue indicates the finding is billed on the same claim line with units greater than one for the same	0083 - Cataract Removal Excessive Units - Partial Denial	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner), Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgical Center	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
Cataract removal cannot be performed more than once on the same eye on the same date of service. Providers billing for more than one unit of cataract removal for the same eye will be denied. This new issue indicates that findings are across claim lines for the same eye and the finding claim line is a full procedure	0084 - Cataract Removal: Duplicate Payment	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner), Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
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Description	Issue Name	Claim Type	Date of Service	Regions and States	Additional Information	Issue Type	Date Approved	Approval Status
Laboratory services are covered under Part A, excluding anatomic pathology services and certain clinical pathology services, therefore if billed separately should be denied as unbundled services. Denied services will result in an overpayment.	0085 - Laboratory Services Rendered During an Inpatient Stay: Unbundling	Laboratory, Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII - Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, §1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act, Title XVIII - Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, §1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations, Reconsiderations, Decisions,	Automated	3/13/2018	Approved
Laboratory services are covered under Part A, excluding anatomic pathology services and certain clinical pathology services, therefore if billed separately should be denied as unbundled services. Denied services will result in an overpayment.	0085 - Laboratory Services Rendered During an Inpatient Stay: Unbundling	Laboratory, Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII - Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, §1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act, Title XVIII - Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, §1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations, Reconsiderations, Decisions,	Automated	3/13/2018	Approved
Hospital outpatient observation care (initial, subsequent and/or discharge management) rendered on the same date as a hospital inpatient admission by the same physician is not separately payable. Medicare payment for the initial admission: Unbundling	0086 - Observation Evaluation & Management (E&M) Services Billed Same Day as Inpatient Admission: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
Hospital outpatient observation care (initial, subsequent and/or discharge management) rendered on the same date as a hospital inpatient admission by the same physician is not separately payable. Medicare payment for the initial admission: Unbundling	0086 - Observation Evaluation & Management (E&M) Services Billed Same Day as Inpatient Admission: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
The ESRD PPS includes consolidated billing for limited Part B services included in the ESRD facility bundled payment. Certain laboratory services and limited drugs and supplies will be subject to Part B consolidated billing and will no longer be separately payable when provided for ESRD beneficiaries by providers other than the ESRD facility bundled payment. Certain laboratory services and limited drugs and supplies will be subject to Part B consolidated billing and will no longer be separately payable when provided for ESRD beneficiaries by providers other than the ESRD facility bundled payment.	0087 - Laboratory Services for End-Stage Renal Disease Subject to Part B Consolidated Billing: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
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Covered ancillary items and services are not payable if there is no approved Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) surgical procedure on the same claim or in history for the same date of service and same provider.	0088 - Ancillary Services Billed Without an Approved Surgical Procedure	Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
Covered ancillary items and services are not payable if there is no approved Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) surgical procedure on the same claim or in history for the same date of service and same provider.	0088 - Ancillary Services Billed Without an Approved Surgical Procedure	Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
Services of Clinical Social Workers (CSW) rendered during Inpatient Hospital stays are included in the facilities PPS payment and are not separately payable under Part B. CSW providers are expected to seek reimbursement from the facility.	0089 - Clinical Social Worker during Inpatient: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
Services of Clinical Social Workers (CSW) rendered during Inpatient Hospital stays are included in the facilities PPS payment and are not separately payable under Part B. CSW providers are expected to seek reimbursement from the facility.	0089 - Clinical Social Worker during Inpatient: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Automated	3/14/2018	Approved
The technical component (TC) of lab/pathology services furnished to patients in an inpatient or outpatient hospital setting are not separately payable.	0090 - Laboratory/Pathology Technical Component for Inpatient or Outpatient Hospitals: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Laboratory; Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility (IDTF)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	4/4/2018	Approved
The technical component (TC) of lab/pathology services furnished to patients in an inpatient or outpatient hospital setting are not separately payable.	0090 - Laboratory/Pathology Technical Component for Inpatient or Outpatient Hospitals: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Laboratory; Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility (IDTF)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	4/4/2018	Approved
Duplicate claims are any claims paid across more than one claim number for the same Beneficiary, CPT/HCPCS code and service date by the same provider. Duplicate claims will be denied if billed with exact data and the contractor paid for services more than once. Denied duplicate claims will result in an overpayment.	0091- Duplicate Claims: Professional Services	Part B Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional	Automated	5/8/2018	Approved
Duplicate claims are any claims paid across more than one claim number for the same Beneficiary, CPT/HCPCS code and service date by the same provider. Duplicate claims will be denied if billed with exact data and the contractor paid for services more than once. Denied duplicate claims will result in an overpayment.	0091- Duplicate Claims: Professional Services	Part B Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional	Automated	5/8/2018	Approved
The review shall identify claims billed incorrectly as percutaneous implantation of neurostimulator electrode arrays when the medical record demonstrates the transcutaneous placement of a device.	0092 - Percutaneous Implantation of Neurostimulator Electrode Array: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC); Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Complex	5/8/2018	Approved
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The implantable automatic defibrillator is an electronic device designed to detect and treat life-threatening tachyarrhythmias. The device consists of a pulse generator and electrodes for sensing and defibrillating. Medical documentation will be required for medical necessity to validate that implantable defibrillator.	0093 - Implantable Automatic Defibrillators- Outpatient Procedure: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC), Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	5/14/2018	Approved
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Facet joint are joints in the spine that stabilize and allow the spine to bend and twist. Facet joint injections are a type of interventional pain management technique used to diagnose or treat back pain. Intraarticular blocks may provide temporary relief of pain for the same patient. The review shall identify claims for Part B professional services for the same beneficiary, same Date of Service, and Same Provider will be recovered as overpayments as they are not payable when performed on the same day a physician bills for critical care.	0095 - Facet Joint Interventions: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital (Part B), Outpatient Hospital, Outpatient Surgery	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to			
Certain CPT codes for Part B professional services for the same beneficiary, same Date of Service, and Same Provider will be recovered as overpayments as they are not payable when performed on the same day a physician bills for critical care.	0098 - Critical Care Professional Services: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	6/18/2018	Approved
Certain CPT codes for Part B professional services for the same beneficiary, same Date of Service, and Same Provider will be recovered as overpayments as they are not payable when performed on the same day a physician bills for critical care.	0098 - Critical Care Professional Services: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	6/18/2018	Approved
These services are included in the critical care services and should not be reported separately. Payment for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) services, listed in the SNF Consolidated Billing Table, Major Category I.F and V.A., provided to beneficiaries by the outpatient facility, in a Medicare covered Part A SNF stay, are included in a bundled retrospective payment and are not separately payable. Payment for these	0099 - Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing: Unbundling	Outpatient Facility	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	6/25/2018	Approved

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Payment for the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) services, listed in the SNF Consolidated Billing Table, Major Category I-F and V-A., provided to beneficiaries by the outpatient facility, in a Medicare covered Part A SNF stay, are included in a bundled prospective payment and are not separately payable. Payment for these CMS has designated certain codes as "add-on procedures". These services are always done in conjunction with another procedure and are only payable when an appropriate primary service is also billed. Clinical Laboratory providers paid for Add-On HCPCS/CPT codes without the required Primary Code or Denied.	0099 - Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing: Unbundling	Outpatient Facility	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	6/25/2018	Approved
CMS has designated certain codes as "add-on procedures". These services are always done in conjunction with another procedure and are only payable when an appropriate primary service is also billed. Clinical Laboratory providers paid for Add-On HCPCS/CPT codes without the required Primary Code or Denied.	0100 - Add-On Code Paid without Primary Code and/or Denied Primary Code: Clinical Laboratory	Laboratory	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	6/20/2018	Approved
CMS has designated certain codes as "add-on procedures". These services are always done in conjunction with another procedure and are only payable when an appropriate primary service is also billed. Clinical Laboratory providers paid for Add-On HCPCS/CPT codes without the required Primary Code or Denied.	0100 - Add-On Code Paid without Primary Code and/or Denied Primary Code: Clinical Laboratory	Laboratory	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	6/20/2018	Approved
APC coding requires that procedural information, as coded and reported by the hospital on its claim, match both the attending physician description and the information contained in the beneficiary's medical record. Reviewers will validate the APC by reviewing the billed services description or potentially offering APC	0101 - Ambulatory Payment Classification Coding Validation	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	7/26/2018	Approved
APC coding requires that procedural information, as coded and reported by the hospital on its claim, match both the attending physician description and the information contained in the beneficiary's medical record. Reviewers will validate the APC by reviewing the billed services description or potentially offering APC	0101 - Ambulatory Payment Classification Coding Validation	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	7/26/2018	Approved
CMS has designated certain codes as "add-on procedures". These services are always done in conjunction with another procedure and are only payable when an appropriate primary service is also paid. ASC providers paid for Add-On HCPCS/CPT codes without the required Primary Code or Denied Primary Code.	0104 - Add-On Code Paid without Primary Code and/or Denied Primary Code – Ambulatory Surgical Center	Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	7/24/2018	Approved
CMS has designated certain codes as "add-on procedures". These services are always done in conjunction with another procedure and are only payable when an appropriate primary service is also paid. ASC providers paid for Add-On HCPCS/CPT codes without the required Primary Code or Denied Primary Code.	0104 - Add-On Code Paid without Primary Code and/or Denied Primary Code – Ambulatory Surgical Center	Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	7/24/2018	Approved
Physician services billed during an active hospice period should be paid by the Hospice provider if services are related to the hospice beneficiary's terminal condition or if a physician is employed or paid under arrangement by the hospice.	0105 - Physician Services during Hospice Period: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. SSA, Title XVIII, §1861 (dd) of the Social Security Act, Hospice Care; Hospice Program; 4. 42 CFR	Automated	8/14/2018	Approved
Physician services billed during an active hospice period should be paid by the Hospice provider if services are related to the hospice beneficiary's terminal condition or if a physician is employed or paid under arrangement by the hospice.	0105 - Physician Services during Hospice Period: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. SSA, Title XVIII, §1861 (dd) of the Social Security Act, Hospice Care; Hospice Program; 4. 42 CFR	Automated	8/14/2018	Approved
Under the Medicare physician fee schedule (WIPFS), some procedures have separate rates for physicians' services when provided in facility and nonfacility settings. The rate, facility or nonfacility, which a physician service is paid under	0108 - Facility vs Non-Facility Reimbursement: Incorrect Coding	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	6 months prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	9/11/2018	Approved
Under the Medicare physician fee schedule (WIPFS), some procedures have separate rates for physicians' services when provided in facility and nonfacility settings. The rate, facility or nonfacility, which a physician service is paid under the MPFS is determined by the type of service (POS) code that is used to identify	0108 - Facility vs Non-Facility Reimbursement: Incorrect Coding	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	6 months prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	9/11/2018	Approved
Payment for the majority of Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) services provided to beneficiaries in a Medicare covered Part A stay are included in a bundled prospective payment made through the fiscal intermediary (FI) A/B Medicare Consolidated Billing Part B (Full)	0109 - Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing Part B (Full)	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Laboratory	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	9/20/2018	Approved
Payment for the majority of Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) services provided to beneficiaries in a Medicare covered Part A stay are included in a bundled prospective payment made through the fiscal intermediary (FI) A/B Medicare Consolidated Billing Part B (Full)	0109 - Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Consolidated Billing Part B (Full)	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Laboratory	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	9/20/2018	Approved
When a Part A CPT/HCPCS code is used on the 26 Professional Component of Services to be Submitted with a 26 Modifier) is billed during a paid inpatient Part A SNF stay, without modifier 26, the Part B claim will be repiced with modifier 26	0110 - Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing: Part B – Use of Modifier 26, Professional Component	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	9/20/2018	Approved
When a Part A CPT/HCPCS code is used on the 26 Professional Component of Services to be Submitted with a 26 Modifier) is billed during a paid inpatient Part A SNF stay, without modifier 26, the Part B claim will be repiced with modifier 26	0110 - Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing: Part B – Use of Modifier 26, Professional Component	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	9/20/2018	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if transthoracic echocardiography meets Medicare coverage criteria, meets applicable coding guidelines, and/or is reasonable and necessary.	0111 - Transthoracic Echocardiography: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital (Medicare Part B only), Outpatient Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility - Inpatient (Medicare Part B only)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 2. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A); (a)(7)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to	Complex	9/28/2018	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if transthoracic echocardiography meets Medicare coverage criteria, meets applicable coding guidelines, and/or is reasonable and necessary.	0111 - Transthoracic Echocardiography: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital (Medicare Part B only), Outpatient Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility - Inpatient (Medicare Part B only)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 2. Social Security Act, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A); (a)(7)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to	Complex	9/28/2018	Approved
A Monthly Capitation Payment (MCP) is a payment made to physicians for most dialysis-related physician services furnished to Medicare End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) patients on a monthly basis. The same monthly amount is paid to the physician for each patient, regardless of whether the patient dialyze	0112 - Monthly Capitation Payment for End-Stage Renal Disease: 4 or More Visits per Month	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	11/7/2018	Approved
A Monthly Capitation Payment (MCP) is a payment made to physicians for most dialysis-related physician services furnished to Medicare End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) patients on a monthly basis. The same monthly amount is paid to the physician for each patient, regardless of whether the patient dialyze	0112 - Monthly Capitation Payment for End-Stage Renal Disease: 4 or More Visits per Month	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	11/7/2018	Approved
Home visits for physician services should not overlap an active inpatient stay. Providers cannot bill for services that are rendered. Physician claims billed with a home-related place of service that overlaps an inpatient hospital stay will be denied.	0115 - Physician Claims with Place of Service Home Overlapping Inpatient Hospital Stay: Services Billed Not Rendered	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	10/17/2018	Approved
Home visits for physician services should not overlap an active inpatient stay. Providers cannot bill for services that are rendered. Physician claims billed with a home-related place of service that overlaps an inpatient hospital stay will be denied.	0115 - Physician Claims with Place of Service Home Overlapping Inpatient Hospital Stay: Services Billed Not Rendered	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	10/17/2018	Approved
HCPCS codes with a PC/TC indicator of "1" and billed with either 26 or TC in any modifier field should be paid at either the technical component or the professional component rate based on the modifier billed. Overpayments occur when the applicable Medicare Physician Fee Schedule amount for Modifier TC	0116 - Modifiers TC and 26: Incorrect Coding	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	10/9/2018	Approved





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All PET Scans require the use of radiopharmaceutical diagnostic imaging agent (tracer). Claims billed without the required Tracer HCPCS codes will be recovered as overpayments.	0133 - Positron Emission Tomography Scans Paid without Tracer Codes- Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility: Non-Allowable Services	Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	2/5/2019	Approved
All PET Scans require the use of radiopharmaceutical diagnostic imaging agent (tracer). Claims billed without the required Tracer HCPCS codes will be recovered as overpayments.	0133 - Positron Emission Tomography Scans Paid without Tracer Codes- Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility: Non-Allowable Services	Independent Diagnostic Testing Facility	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	2/5/2019	Approved
Claims for Cryosurgery of the Prostate are deemed to be medically necessary for the indications listed in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid National Coverage Determination Manual (Publication 100-03, Part 4, §230.9). Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the service is medically necessary.	0134 - Cryosurgery of the Prostate: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgery Center, and Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	2/5/2019	Approved
Claims for Cryosurgery of the Prostate are deemed to be medically necessary for the indications listed in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid National Coverage Determination Manual (Publication 100-03, Part 4, §230.9). Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the service is medically necessary.	0134 - Cryosurgery of the Prostate: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgery Center, and Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	2/5/2019	Approved
Cardiac Rehabilitation (CR) is a physician-supervised program that furnishes physician prescribed exercise; cardiac risk factor modification, including education, counseling, and behavioral intervention; psychosocial assessment; and outpatient assessment. Medical Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the service is medically necessary.	0135 - Cardiac Rehabilitation: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Complex	3/7/2019	Approved
Cardiac Rehabilitation (CR) is a physician-supervised program that furnishes physician prescribed exercise; cardiac risk factor modification, including education, counseling, and behavioral intervention; psychosocial assessment; and outpatient assessment. Medical Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the service is medically necessary.	0135 - Cardiac Rehabilitation: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Complex	3/7/2019	Approved
Radiologic Examination of the Chest: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements. Radiographs of the chest are common tests performed in many outpatient offices (radiology and many others), clinics, outpatient hospital departments, inpatient hospital episodes, skilled nursing facilities, homes, and other settings. They can be performed in many settings, including ambulatory surgery centers, freestanding ambulatory surgery centers, and other outpatient settings.	0136 - Radiologic Examination of the Chest: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Complex	4/15/2019	Approved
Radiologic Examination of the Chest: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements. Radiographs of the chest are common tests performed in many outpatient offices (radiology and many others), clinics, outpatient hospital departments, inpatient hospital episodes, skilled nursing facilities, homes, and other settings. They can be performed in many settings, including ambulatory surgery centers, freestanding ambulatory surgery centers, and other outpatient settings.	0136 - Radiologic Examination of the Chest: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Complex	4/15/2019	Approved
Physical therapy, speech-language pathology services, and occupational therapy are bundled into the SNF's global per diem payment for a resident's covered Part A stay. They are also subject to the SNF "Part B" consolidated billing requirement.	0138 - Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing for Therapies: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Physical Therapist; Occupational Therapist;	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	2/20/2019	Approved
Physical therapy, speech-language pathology services, and occupational therapy are bundled into the SNF's global per diem payment for a resident's covered Part A stay. They are also subject to the SNF "Part B" consolidated billing requirement.	0138 - Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing for Therapies: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Physical Therapist; Occupational Therapist;	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	2/20/2019	Approved
Vertebroplasty and kyphoplasty will be reviewed for medical necessity whether billed as an initial procedure, a repeat procedure (beyond once in a lifetime) or if performed at more than one vertebral level. Services that were not medically reasonable and necessary will be denied and will result in an overpayment.	0139 - Vertebroplasty or Kyphoplasty: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgery Center, and Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1834 - Special Payment Rules for Particular Items and Services; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section	Complex	2/20/2019	Approved
Vertebroplasty and kyphoplasty will be reviewed for medical necessity whether billed as an initial procedure, a repeat procedure (beyond once in a lifetime) or if performed at more than one vertebral level. Services that were not medically reasonable and necessary will be denied and will result in an overpayment.	0139 - Vertebroplasty or Kyphoplasty: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgery Center, and Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1834 - Special Payment Rules for Particular Items and Services; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section	Complex	2/20/2019	Approved
Pulmonary rehabilitation is a physician-supervised program for COPD and certain other chronic respiratory diseases designed to optimize physical and social performance and autonomy. Medical Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the service is medically necessary.	0140 - Pulmonary Rehabilitation: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital and Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA) §51861 (s)(2)(CC) - Medical and Other Health	Complex	3/27/2019	Approved
Pulmonary rehabilitation is a physician-supervised program for COPD and certain other chronic respiratory diseases designed to optimize physical and social performance and autonomy. Medical Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the service is medically necessary.	0140 - Pulmonary Rehabilitation: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital and Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA) §51861 (s)(2)(CC) - Medical and Other Health	Complex	3/27/2019	Approved
Services provided by a freestanding non-hospital ASC (Ambulatory Surgery Center) are included under the SNF Consolidated Billing Provisions. Certain services are not payable because they are included in SNF Consolidated Billing. Codes found in the SNF Consolidated Billing, Part A MAC Updates are not payable.	0142 - Ambulatory Surgical Center Services Billed During a Covered Part A Skilled Nursing Facility Stay: Unbundling	Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC), Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	4/2/2019	Approved
Services provided by a freestanding non-hospital ASC (Ambulatory Surgery Center) are included under the SNF Consolidated Billing Provisions. Certain services are not payable because they are included in SNF Consolidated Billing. Codes found in the SNF Consolidated Billing, Part A MAC Updates are not payable.	0142 - Ambulatory Surgical Center Services Billed During a Covered Part A Skilled Nursing Facility Stay: Unbundling	Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC), Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	4/2/2019	Approved
Claims for ELCA and EVLT for Lower Extremity Varicose Veins are deemed to be medically necessary will be denied based on the guidelines outlined in the respective MAC Jurisdiction LCD(s). Services that are not medically reasonable and necessary will be denied.	0145 - Endovenous Radiofrequency Ablation and Endovenous Laser Treatment for Lower Extremity Varicose Veins: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner), and Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/2/2019	Approved
Claims for ELCA and EVLT for Lower Extremity Varicose Veins are deemed to be medically necessary will be denied based on the guidelines outlined in the respective MAC Jurisdiction LCD(s). Services that are not medically reasonable and necessary will be denied.	0145 - Endovenous Radiofrequency Ablation and Endovenous Laser Treatment for Lower Extremity Varicose Veins: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner), and Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/2/2019	Approved
When a more extensive CT Scan is performed on the same site as a less extensive CT Scan, the less extensive CT Scan is bundled into the more extensive CT Scan. The less extensive CT scan code(s) will be recovered as an overpayment.	0146 - Computed Tomography Scans: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 Code of Federal Regulations §405.980- Reopening of Initial	Automated	3/27/2019	Approved
When a more extensive CT Scan is performed on the same site as a less extensive CT Scan, the less extensive CT Scan is bundled into the more extensive CT Scan. The less extensive CT scan code(s) will be recovered as an overpayment.	0146 - Computed Tomography Scans: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 Code of Federal Regulations §405.980- Reopening of Initial	Automated	3/27/2019	Approved
When a more extensive Magnetic Resonance Imaging is performed on the same site as a less extensive MRI, the less extensive MRI is bundled into the more extensive MRI. The less extensive MRI procedure code(s) will be recovered as an overpayment(s).	0147 - Magnetic Resonance Imaging Procedures: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 Code of Federal Regulations §405.980- Reopening of Initial	Automated	3/29/2019	Approved
When a more extensive Magnetic Resonance Imaging is performed on the same site as a less extensive MRI, the less extensive MRI is bundled into the more extensive MRI. The less extensive MRI procedure code(s) will be recovered as an overpayment(s).	0147 - Magnetic Resonance Imaging Procedures: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 Code of Federal Regulations §405.980- Reopening of Initial	Automated	3/29/2019	Approved



Description	Issue Name	Claim Type	Date of Service	Regions and States	Additional Information	Issue Type	Date Approved	Approval Status
Per Medicare Claims Processing Manual Chapter 12, Section 30.6.9.2 (C), CMS does not reimburse both a subsequent hospital visit in addition to hospital discharge day management service on the same day by the same physician. CPT code 01023, 01022 processing identical Chapter 12, Section 30.6.9.2 (C), CMS does not reimburse both a subsequent hospital visit in addition to hospital discharge day management service on the same day by the same physician. CPT code 01023, 01022 will be considered overpayment and will be recovered.	0149 - Subsequent Hospital Visit and Discharge Day Management on the Same Day: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); exclude non-physician practitioner codes 50 (NP) and 67 (PA)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	4/22/2019	Approved
Per Medicare Claims Processing Manual Chapter 12, Section 30.6.9.2 (C), CMS does not reimburse both a subsequent hospital visit in addition to hospital discharge day management service on the same day by the same physician. CPT code 01023, 01022 will be considered overpayment and will be recovered.	0149 - Subsequent Hospital Visit and Discharge Day Management on the Same Day: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); exclude non-physician practitioner codes 50 (NP) and 67 (PA)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	4/22/2019	Approved
Mohs Micrographic Surgery is a two-step process in which: 1) The tumor is removed in stages, followed by immediate histologic evaluation of the margins of the specimen(s); and 2) Additional excision and evaluation is performed until all	0150 - Mohs Micrographic Surgery: Incorrect Coding and Incorrect Units Billed	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/30/2019	Approved
Mohs Micrographic Surgery is a two-step process in which: 1) The tumor is removed in stages, followed by immediate histologic evaluation of the margins of the specimen(s); and 2) Additional excision and evaluation is performed until all	0150 - Mohs Micrographic Surgery: Incorrect Coding and Incorrect Units Billed	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/30/2019	Approved
The Medicare physician reimbursement (MPS) is the primary method of payment for enrolled health care professionals. Documentation will be reviewed to determine if professional services that affecting MPFS payment meet Medicare coverage criteria and applicable coding guidelines.	0151 - Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner Coding Validation	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/24/2019	Approved
The Medicare physician reimbursement (MPS) is the primary method of payment for enrolled health care professionals. Documentation will be reviewed to determine if professional services that affecting MPFS payment meet Medicare coverage criteria and applicable coding guidelines.	0151 - Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner Coding Validation	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	4/24/2019	Approved
Ambulatory Surgical Center coding requires that procedural information, as coded and reported by the hospital on its claim, match both the attending physician description and the information contained in the beneficiary's medical	0153 - Ambulatory Surgical Center Coding Validation	Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional Documentation Request; 5. 42	Complex	5/28/2019	Approved
Ambulatory Surgical Center coding requires that procedural information, as coded and reported by the hospital on its claim, match both the attending physician description and the information contained in the beneficiary's medical	0153 - Ambulatory Surgical Center Coding Validation	Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional Documentation Request; 5. 42	Complex	5/28/2019	Approved
Medicare pays for non-emergency ambulance services when a beneficiary's medical condition at the time of transport is such that other means of transportation are contraindicated (i.e. would endanger the beneficiary). The beneficiary condition must require the ambulance transportation itself and the	0154 - Non-Emergency Ambulance Services-Advanced Life Support and Basic Life Support: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Ambulance Providers	3 years prior to ADR Letter date as well as state/date exclusions: 1. Exclude NJ, PA, SC, DE, DC, MD, NC, WV, and VA	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Complex	5/22/2019	Approved
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Individuals provide a way for hospitals to report and be paid for expenses incurred in preparing a patient for surgery and scheduling a room for performing the procedure where the service is subsequently discontinued. This instruction is	0157 - Discontinued Procedure Prior to the Administration of Anesthesia: Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	6/28/2019	Approved
Individuals provide a way for hospitals to report and be paid for expenses incurred in preparing a patient for surgery and scheduling a room for performing the procedure where the service is subsequently discontinued. This instruction is	0157 - Discontinued Procedure Prior to the Administration of Anesthesia: Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	6/28/2019	Approved
On claims submitted by providers using the institutional claim format, CWF enforces consolidated billing for outpatient therapies by recognizing as therapies all services billed under revenue codes 042x, 043x, 044x. Therapy services billed	0158 - Outpatient Therapy Services During Home Health: Unbundling	Outpatient Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF), Outpatient Hospital, Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	7/15/2019	Approved
On claims submitted by providers using the institutional claim format, CWF enforces consolidated billing for outpatient therapies by recognizing as therapies all services billed under revenue codes 042x, 043x, 044x. Therapy services billed	0158 - Outpatient Therapy Services During Home Health: Unbundling	Outpatient Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF), Outpatient Hospital, Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	7/15/2019	Approved
On claims submitted by providers using the institutional claim format, CWF enforces consolidated billing for outpatient therapies by recognizing as therapies all services billed under revenue codes 042x, 043x, 044x. Therapy services billed	0159 - Ophthalmic Diagnostic CPT Codes: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	6/19/2019	Approved
On claims submitted by providers using the institutional claim format, CWF enforces consolidated billing for outpatient therapies by recognizing as therapies all services billed under revenue codes 042x, 043x, 044x. Therapy services billed	0159 - Ophthalmic Diagnostic CPT Codes: Excessive Units	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	6/19/2019	Approved
Medical documentation will be reviewed to determine if the use of intravenous immune globulin for the treatment of Autoimmune Blistering Diseases (AMBDs) meets Medicare coverage criteria and is reasonable and necessary. Services that	0160 - Intravenous Immune Globulin for the Treatment of Autoimmune Blistering Diseases: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC); Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	8/20/2019	Approved
Medical documentation will be reviewed to determine if the use of intravenous immune globulin for the treatment of Autoimmune Blistering Diseases (AMBDs) meets Medicare coverage criteria and is reasonable and necessary. Services that	0160 - Intravenous Immune Globulin for the Treatment of Autoimmune Blistering Diseases: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC); Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	8/20/2019	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if correct billing, coding, and documentation guidelines for Therapeutic, Prophylactic, and Diagnostic Infusions were met.	0161 - Therapeutic, Prophylactic, and Diagnostic Infusions: Incorrect Coding and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	11/18/2019	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if correct billing, coding, and documentation guidelines for Therapeutic, Prophylactic, and Diagnostic Infusions were met.	0161 - Therapeutic, Prophylactic, and Diagnostic Infusions: Incorrect Coding and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A) - Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	11/18/2019	Approved
All diagnostic tests, including Computed Tomography (CT) Coronary Angiography, must be ordered by the physician who is treating the beneficiary for a specific medical problem and who uses the results in the management of the beneficiary's	0162 - Computerized Tomography Coronary Angiography: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. SSA, §1862(a)(1)(A), Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA 1862(a)(7), Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 3. SSA, §1833(e) - Payment of benefits; 4. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 5. 42 CFR §411.15(a)(1) - Particular services excluded from coverage; Routine physical checkups; 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Ambulance transports or a hospice patient, which are related to the terminal illness and occur after the effective date of election, are the responsibility of the hospice provider. Payment for the ambulance claim will be recouped if the above condition occurs and separate payment was paid to the provider.	0163 - Ambulance Services Billed During Hospice: Unbundling	Ambulance Providers	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Automated	7/23/2019	Approved
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A bilateral indicator of '3' indicates the usual payment adjustment for bilateral procedures does not apply. If the procedure is reported with either a modifier 50 or modifiers RT and LT, and a '2' in the units field, reimbursement is based on 100% of the Medicare allowable.	0164 - Bilateral Indicator '3': Incorrect Coding	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial	Automated	9/24/2019	Approved
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When a procedure is performed, there are sometimes two claims submitted for the same code. The facility's claim for a procedure is submitted and the surgeon's claim for the procedure is also submitted. The documentation for this procedure is the same.	0168 - Denial of the Professional Component for Previously-Denied Facility Claims for Medically Unnecessary Endomyocardial	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	9/27/2019	Approved
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All diagnostic (including clinical diagnostic laboratory tests) services and related non-diagnostic services provided to a beneficiary by the admitting hospital within 3 days (for IPPS Hospitals) prior to or 1 day (NON IPPS Hospitals) prior to and including the date of the initial diagnostic laboratory tests to be performed	0169 - Outpatient Services within 3 Days Prior to and Including the Date of a Hospital Admission: Unbundling	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	11/27/2019	Approved
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Documentation will be reviewed to determine if diagnostic (aka stand-alone) renal and peripheral angiography procedures meet Medicare coverage criteria, meet applicable coding guidelines, and/or are medically reasonable and necessary	0170 - Renal and Peripheral Angiography: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC); Professional Services (Physician/Non-physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	11/19/2019	Approved
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Erythropoiesis stimulating agents (ESAs) stimulate the bone marrow to make more red blood cells and are United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved for use in reducing the need for blood transfusion in patients with erythropoiesis stimulating agents (ESAs) stimulate the bone marrow to make more red blood cells and are United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved for use in reducing the need for blood transfusion in patients with	0171 - Erythropoiesis Stimulating Agents for Cancer Patients: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner); Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	12/27/2019	Approved
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Medicare pays for emergency ambulance services when a beneficiary's medical condition at the time of transport is such that other means of transportation or levels of service are contraindicated (i.e. would endanger the beneficiary, cause serious impairment to bodily functions or serious dysfunction of any body organ	0175 - Emergency Ambulance Services – Advanced Life Support and Basic Life Support: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Ambulance Providers	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Complex	1/22/2020	Approved
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Claims for HCPCS code G0402- Initial Preventative Physical Examination (IPPE), may not be billed more than 12 months after the effective date of the beneficiary's first part B coverage, or more than once in a lifetime.	0176 - Annual Wellness Visits: Incorrect Coding	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1861 (s)(2)(FF)- Medical and other health services- personalized prevention plan services; 3. Social Security	Complex	1/23/2020	Approved
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The focus of this issue is to target claims where a potential overpayment exists when the definition of the procedure code includes imaging and the imaging was billed separately and paid.	0179 - Procedures that Include Imaging: Unbundling	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Automated	3/4/2020	Approved
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CPT Codes with a Multiple Procedure Indicator of '6' are subject to a 25% reduction of the Technical Component (TC) when multiple procedures are billed on the same date of service, for the same patient, by the same physician, on the same claim. Claims incorrectly processed will be recouped with the 25% reduction.	0182 - Reduction of Technical Component Diagnostic Cardiovascular Services	Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to the Informational Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations,	Automated	8/3/2020	Approved
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Specialty care transport (SCT) is the intercity transportation of a critically injured or ill beneficiary by a ground ambulance vehicle, including the provision of medically necessary supplies and services, at a level of service beyond the scope of the EMT Paramedic. SCT is necessary when a beneficiary's condition	0183 - Specialty Care Transport: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Ambulance Providers	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e) - Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Complex	8/3/2020	Approved
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For purposes of coverage under Medicare, total hip arthroplasty (THA), also referred to as joint replacement, have proven to be an important medical advancement. Hip Arthroplasty surgery is most commonly performed for diseases	0184 - Total Hip Arthroplasty: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital, Outpatient Hospital, Professional Services (Physician/Non-physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations, Reconsiderations, Decisions, and Reviews, (b)-	Complex	8/3/2020	Approved
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For purposes of coverage under Medicare, total knee arthroplasty (TKA), also referred to as a joint replacement, has proven to be an important medical advancement. Knee Arthroplasty is most commonly performed for diseases which	0185 - Total Knee Arthroplasty: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital, Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgical Center, Professional Services (Physician/Non-physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations, Reconsiderations, Decisions, and Reviews, (b)-	Complex	8/3/2020	Approved
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This review will determine if a duplex scan of the extracranial arteries was reasonable and necessary for the patient's condition based on the documentation in the medical record. Claims that do not meet the indications of	0186 - Duplex Scans of Extracranial Arteries: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	8/3/2020	Approved
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Medical documentation will be reviewed to determine if the use of nerve conduction studies meets Medicare coverage criteria and is reasonable and necessary.	0187 - Nerve Conduction Studies: Excessive Units	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §410.32- Diagnostic x-ray tests, diagnostic laboratory tests, and other diagnostic tests:	Complex	9/25/2020	Approved
Medical documentation will be reviewed to determine if the use of nerve conduction studies meets Medicare coverage criteria and is reasonable and necessary.	0187 - Nerve Conduction Studies: Excessive Units	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §410.32- Diagnostic x-ray tests, diagnostic laboratory tests, and other diagnostic tests:	Complex	9/25/2020	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if the Skilled Nursing Facility stay meets Medicare coverage criteria, meets applicable coding guidelines, and/or is medically reasonable and necessary.	0190 - Skilled Nursing Facility with Patient-Driven Payment Model: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and	Complex	7/20/2022	Approved
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This review will determine if polysomnography is reasonable and necessary for the patient's condition based on the documentation in the medical record.	0191 - Polysomnography: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	9/24/2020	Approved
This review will determine if polysomnography is reasonable and necessary for the patient's condition based on the documentation in the medical record.	0191 - Polysomnography: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	9/24/2020	Approved
A ventricular assist device (VAD) is surgically attached to one or both intact ventricles and is used to assist or augment the ability of a damaged or weakened native heart to pump blood. Improvement in the performance of the native heart	0192 - Ventricular Assist Device: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	9/25/2020	Approved
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Drug and Biological products as defined by HCPCS Level II Codes and are billed in multiples of the dosage specified in the HCPCS code long descriptor. The number of units billed must be assigned based on the dosage increment specified in that	0193 - Bioengineered Skin Substitutes: Excessive or Insufficient Units Billed	Outpatient Hospital, Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	10/1/2020	Approved
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The implantable automatic defibrillator is an electronic device designed to detect and treat life-threatening tachyarrhythmias. The device consists of a pulse generator and electrodes for sensing and defibrillating. Medical documentation	0195 - Implantable Automatic Defibrillators-Inpatient Procedure: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	10/23/2020	Approved
The implantable automatic defibrillator is an electronic device designed to detect and treat life-threatening tachyarrhythmias. The device consists of a pulse generator and electrodes for sensing and defibrillating. Medical documentation	0195 - Implantable Automatic Defibrillators-Inpatient Procedure: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Inpatient Hospital	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	10/23/2020	Approved
Deep brain stimulation (DBS) is an established treatment for people with movement disorders, such as essential tremor, Parkinson's disease and dystonia. DBS involves implanting electrodes within certain areas of the brain; these	0196 - Deep Brain Stimulation- Outpatient Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	Outpatient Hospital; Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	2 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	11/18/2020	Approved
Deep brain stimulation (DBS) is an established treatment for people with movement disorders, such as essential tremor, Parkinson's disease and dystonia. DBS involves implanting electrodes within certain areas of the brain; these	0196 - Deep Brain Stimulation- Outpatient Procedure: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital; Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	3 years prior to ADR Letter date	3 – all applicable states	1. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer; 2. Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits; 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review; 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to	Complex	11/18/2020	Approved



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Documentation will be reviewed to determine whether minimally invasive surgical fusion of the sacroiliac joint met Medicare coverage criteria and was reasonable and necessary.	0219 - Minimally-Invasive Surgical (MIS) Fusion of the Sacroiliac Joint: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC), and Professional Services (Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner)	Claims having a “paid claim date” which is less than 3 years prior to the ADR letter date. JJ and JM are limited to DOS on/after 7/17/2022.	3 – all applicable states	1.Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer 2.Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits 3.42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review 4.42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional Documentation Request 5.42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations, Reconsiderations, Decisions, and Reviews, (b)-	Complex	6/6/2023	Approved
Documentation will be reviewed to determine if CPT code 15734 warranted separate reimbursement given that a flap is considered inclusive to breast reconstruction (19357-19364, 19367-19369) or breast prosthesis (19340, 19342). Documentation will be reviewed to support that the flap (15734) was	0217 - Muscle Flap with Breast Reconstruction or Breast Prosthesis Insertion: Unbundling	Physician/Non-physician Practitioner (NPP)	3 years prior to ADR letter date	3 - all applicable states	1.Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer 2.Social Security Act (SSA), Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits	Complex	6/6/2023	Approved