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To All Providers:

- The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) provider workshops scheduled in Evansville, Ind. on July 22 and 23, 2003, have been moved to the following location:

**Deaconess Hospital
Deaconess Health Science Building
Johnson Hall
600 Edgar St.
Evansville, IN 47710**

The new site is adjacent to the previous location. Direct any questions to a provider representative at (317) 488-5195.

- The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) recently published version 4.0 of the *IHCP Provider Manual*. The intent of this article is to correct the stated policy for neonatal transfers in Chapter 7, Section 2, pages 7 through 13, of this version of the manual. The new manual incorrectly states that the IHCP will reimburse the full diagnosis-related grouping (DRG) payment to transferring hospitals for all neonatal cases. However, 405 IAC 1-10.5-4 (w) **does not** support payment of a full DRG on transfer cases unless the established DRG includes only transfer cases. Currently, a hospital that transfers a neonatal case automatically receives a full DRG rate when the claim groups to **DRG 639 – Neonate, transferred less than five days old, born here**, or **DRG 640 – Neonate, transferred less than five days old, not born here**. All other neonatal transfer claims will receive a DRG prorated daily rate for each day of hospitalization, not to exceed the full DRG amount. The *IHCP Provider Manual* will correctly state the reimbursement policy for transfer cases in future versions.
- This article reminds providers of the following items relating to HIPAA provider workshops occurring during June, July, and August 2003 described in provider bulletin BT200328:
 - Workshops are offered at no cost to providers
 - Workshops are not mandatory but are recommended
 - The HCFA-1500 claim form name change to the CMS-1500 claim form reflects the recent name change of the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Providers formerly billing with the HCFA-1500 claim form should attend workshops designed for the CMS-1500 claim form.
 - Workshop registrations are processed chronologically based on the workshop date. A letter or fax confirming registration will be sent prior to the workshop. Confirmations may be received as late as two days prior to the workshop.

Please direct questions about workshops to a provider representative at (317) 488-5195.

To All OMNI Users:

- OMNI users who have downloaded the HIPAA-compliant version of the OMNI software are having communication problems with the OMNI terminals. OMNI users should wait until further notice to download the HIPAA-compliant software.

To All Pharmacy Providers, Durable Medical Equipment Suppliers, and Medical Suppliers:

- Effective June 12, 2003, the maximum allowable fees for the following Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes have been adjusted. Table 1 lists the code, description, and maximum allowable fee.

Table 1 – HCPCS codes and Maximum Allowable Fees

HCPCS Code	Description	Maximum Allowable Fee
B4100	Food Thickener	\$0.44 per ounce
B4153	Enteral Formulae, Category III	\$2.30 per 100 calories
B4154	Enteral Formulae, Category IV	\$2.92 per 100 calories

Note: As of April 1, 2003, all parenteral solutions, enteral formulae, and supplies should be billed using HCPCS codes on the CMS-1500 claim form.

Please direct any questions to Jared Duzan of Myers and Stauffer by telephone at 1-800-877-6927 or by e-mail at jduzan@mslc.com.

To All Pharmacy Providers:

- The IHCP training sessions scheduled for June 12, 2003, in Indianapolis, June 17, 2003, in Greencastle, Ind., and June 23, 2003, in Evansville, Ind., have been cancelled due to low attendance levels at the training sessions in Ft. Wayne, Ind. and South Bend, Ind. Pharmacy providers that have questions about billing on a CMS-1500 claim form should call customer assistance at (317) 655-3240 in the Indianapolis local area or toll free at 1-800-577-1278.

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