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To All Providers:

- On June 29, 2004, the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) corrected the max fee rate for Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code *Q4055 – Injection, Epoetin Alfa, 1,000 units (For ESRD on Dialysis)*. The rate was originally entered on May 18, 2004, as \$56.08, effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2004. However, the rate has been updated and should be \$14.02, effective for dates of service on or after January 1, 2004. During the week of September 6, 2004, EDS will systematically mass adjust all affected claims that adjudicated between May 18, 2004, and June 29, 2004.
- To assist providers using paper claims, the IHCP has discovered reasons for processing delays and increased paper claims processing errors. To avoid this, providers should adhere to the following paper claim billing processes:
 - Submit paper claims on standard Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)-approved redlined claim forms.
 - Use Helvetica, Times New Roman, or Courier font type with 12 point or 14 point font size.
 - Do not hand-write information on claim forms.

For questions about this information, contact Customer Assistance at (317) 655-3240 in the Indianapolis local area or 1-800-577-1278.

To All Community Mental Health Centers:

- On July 14, 2004, EDS made changes to HCPCS code *H0040 – Assertive Community Treatment Program, per diem*. IHCP provider bulletin *BT200413*, outlines specific coverage, billing, and payment information for this service. However, since publication of the bulletin, additional changes were made to HCPCS code H0040 that affect claims processing. HCPCS code H0040 now bypasses both Medicare and Third Party Liability (TPL) editing. In addition, claims are no longer subject to prior authorization (PA) claim editing. The system was also modified to allow one service per day, as stated in *BT200413*. Claims may have previously denied when billed for consecutive dates of service. These system modifications were made between June 15, 2004, and July 13, 2004, and are retroactive to November 1, 2003. EDS will systematically mass adjust and reprocess all claims billed with H0040 that were affected by these system modifications and the mass adjustment will be reflected on provider remittance advice statements on or before July 27, 2004.

To Long Term Care Providers:

- Medicare Part A crossover claims with a *provider specialty 030, Nursing Facility*, may have been adjudicated incorrectly and created underpayments, as well as, overpayments for claims received between September 26, 2003, and June 1, 2004. Claims should have adjudicated by paying the difference between the Medicaid allowable the Medicare payment creating a zero payment, or the total or a portion of the Medicare coinsurance, deductible, and blood deductible, if any, for the claim. Identified claims that were processed between September 26, 2003, and June 1, 2004, will be mass adjusted and reprocessed. This mass adjustment and reprocessing will appear beginning on the September 7, 2004, remittance advice (RA) statement.

To Durable Medical Equipment Providers:

- The IHCP has determined HCPCS durable medical equipment (DME) codes for power seating systems E1002, E1003, E1004, E1005, E1006, E1007, and E1008; power-elevating leg rests E1009 and E1010; and electronic connectors E2310 and E2311 to be medically necessary items. The IHCP will cover these HCPCS codes, with prior authorization, effective June 1, 2004. Providers should discontinue the use of E1399 for these specific items.

The following table lists the power seating system codes with their descriptions, appropriate modifiers, and pricing.

HCPCS Code	Description	Modifiers	IHCP Max Fee
E1002	Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, tilt only	NU, RR	Purchase: \$4,113.02 Rental: \$411.33
E1003	Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, recline only, without shear reduction	NU, RR	Purchase: \$4,391.30 Rental: \$439.14
E1004	Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, recline only, with mechanical shear reduction	NU, RR	Purchase: \$4,869.05 Rental: \$486.90
E1005	Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, recline only, with power shear reduction	NU, RR	Purchase: \$5,270.36 Rental: \$527.03

HCPCS Code	Description	Modifiers	IHCP Max Fee
E1006	Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, combination tilt and recline, without shear reduction	NU, RR	Purchase: \$6,445.70 Rental: \$644.55
E1007	Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, combination tilt and recline, with mechanical shear reduction	NU, RR	Purchase: \$8,741.27 Rental: \$874.13
E1008	Wheelchair accessory, power seating system, combination tilt and recline, with power shear reduction	NU, RR	Purchase: \$8,742.05 Rental: \$874.20
E1009	Wheelchair accessory, addition to power seating system, mechanically linked leg elevation system, including pushrod and leg rest, each	NU, RR	Manual pricing
E1010	Wheelchair accessory, addition to power seating system, power leg elevation system, including leg rest, each	NU, RR	Purchase: \$1,151.36 Rental: \$115.13
E2310	Power wheelchair accessory, electronic connection between wheelchair controller and one power seating system motor, including all related electronics, indicator feature, mechanical function selection switch, and fixed mounting hardware	NU, RR	Purchase: \$1,170.24 Rental: \$117.02
E2311	Power wheelchair accessory, electronic connection between wheelchair controller and two or more power seating system motors, including all related electronics, indicator feature, mechanical function selection switch, and fixed mounting hardware	NU, RR	Purchase: \$2,369.20 Rental: \$236.93

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To Pharmacy Providers:

- The Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board has approved the following change to the preferred drug list (PDL). Effective August 17, 2004, all ciprofloxacin generic products will be considered a preferred drug on the PDL. As a reminder, all non-preferred products will reject with edit code 3017 – NDC not on preferred drug list. Please refer to IHCP provider bulletin *BT 200132*, published August 10, 2001, for more information on brand medically necessary. Prescribers may request a PA by calling the ACS Clinical Call Center at 1-866-879-0106.

To Transportation Providers:

- Transportation claims submitted with procedure code *A0425 U2 – Ground mileage, per statute mile; BLS* for dates of service starting January 1, 2004, may have paid incorrectly up to \$3.50 per unit. Procedure code *A0425 U2*, which is the replacement for local codes *Y9005* and *Y9805* at the basic life support (BLS) level of service, should be reimbursed at \$3 per unit.

The reimbursement rate was changed from \$3.50 to \$3 on July 6, 2004, and the \$3 rate will be made retroactive to January 1, 2004. The rate was incorrectly reported in IHCP provider bulletin *BT 200353*, published August 15, 2003. The IHCP will systematically mass adjust all affected claims in the near future. Providers will be notified in advance of the total amount to be recouped, the amount to be recouped per payment cycle, and the date the recoupment will begin. Providers who disagree with any of the adjustments may request an administrative review by writing to the following address:

**EDS - Administrative Review
Written Correspondence
P.O. Box 7263
Indianapolis, IN 46207-7263**

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