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All Providers

CMS Web Links

In January 2006, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) redesigned its Web site. As a result of the redesign, some of the information presented on the site has changed. Old links are not automatically redirected to new locations, however, they continue to link to the CMS Web site. Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) bulletin [BT200602](#), dated February 3, 2006, contained an expired link to place of service (POS) codes posted on the CMS Web site. To access the POS code listing directly, go to <http://new.cms.hhs.gov/PlaceofServiceCodes/Downloads/POSDatabase.pdf>.

HCPSC Codes Non-Covered by Medicare

The 2006 annual code and modifier updates to the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPSC) identified the codes in Table 1 as non-covered by Medicare.

Table 1 – HCPSC Codes Non-Covered by Medicare, Effective February 7, 2006

92630	92633	A6530	A6533	A6534	A6535	A6536
A6537	A6538	A6539	A6540	A6541	A6542	A6543
A6544	A6549	E0172	E0641	J7306	S2078	S2079

EDS will add these codes to the Medicare bypass table in IndianaAIM. Claims with these codes will bypass Medicare third party liability edits and process for appropriate adjudication.

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Long Term Care Providers

Crossover Reimbursement Clarification and Use of Resident Personal Resource Account Funds

This article clarifies page 4 of IHCP provider bulletin [BT200204](#) published January 30, 2002, regarding crossover reimbursement information, specifically Medicare Crossover claims payment policy changes. Information published in

that bulletin stated, “OMPP has confirmed that Medicare payment policy permits coinsurance and deductible amounts that a nursing facility cannot collect to be treated as a Medicare bad debt, and are generally eligible for reimbursement by Medicare, so any adverse financial impact on the nursing facility should be minimal.” Further information was provided on page 4 of the July 2004 IHCP newsletter ([NL200407](#)) under the section *Long Term Care Services, Nursing Facility Updates*.

The OMPP has received inquiries from providers about what claims can be submitted to Medicare as bad debt when Explanation of Benefit (EOB) 9004 – *No payment made, personal resource amount is more than the Indiana Health Coverage allowed amount*, has posted to an adjudicated claim on the provider’s remittance advice (RA). Until modifications are made to IndianaAIM, providers must send bad debt information to Medicare for review. Providers should submit a copy of the IHCP RA to reflect that the IHCP adjudicated the claim and it paid at zero. The RA reflects patient liability deductions included in the adjudicated claim by indicating the specific dollar amount in the *Patient Responsibility* field on the RA, which is located between the *TPL* and the *Paid* field locators. If an amount is indicated in this field, then this is the amount of patient liability that was deducted from the claim. EOB 9004 should **not** be used as the basis for determining whether a patient liability amount was deducted from the claim.

In addition, some long-term care (LTC) providers have misused resident personal resource account funds to satisfy a co-insurance or deductible cost.

Note: The IHCP does not allow an LTC facility to use any portion of a member’s personal resource account to cover any portion of the co-insurance or deductible amount that is not paid by the IHCP.

For example, if the Medicare payment is *greater than* the IHCP-allowed amount and the claim is paid at zero, the co-insurance or deductible cannot be collected by the LTC facility from the member’s personal resource account. Similarly, if the Medicare paid amount is *less than* the IHCP amount, allowing a portion of the co-insurance or deductible to be paid, the difference between the payment amount and the difference in the co-insurance amount or deductible cannot be collected from the member’s personal resource account. Providers that have not been following the correct policy must begin doing so immediately with publication of this notice.

Pharmacies and Prescribing Providers

State Maximum Allowable Cost Legend Drug Rate List Updates

Effective March 31, 2006, the drug groups in Table 4 will be added to the State Maximum Allowable Cost (State MAC) for legend drugs rate list.

Table 2 – State MAC Rate List Added, Effective March 31, 2006

Drug Name	State MAC Rate	Drug Name	State MAC Rate
CALCITRIOL 1 MCG/ML SOLUTION	10.81170	FEXOFENADINE HCL 60 MG TABLET	1.24840
CEFTRIAXONE 2 GM VIAL	18.49570	GANCICLOVIR 500 MG CAPSULE	7.15980
CEFTRIAXONE 500 MG VIAL	5.45400	GLIMEPIRIDE 2 MG TABLET	0.21500
CHOLESTYRAMINE LIGHT PACKET	1.00560	GLIMEPIRIDE 4 MG TABLET	0.35640
DIDANOSINE 250 MG DR CAPSULE	5.59890	SULFADIAZINE 500 MG TABLET	1.35200
DIDANOSINE 400 MG DR CAPSULE	8.74440		

Effective February 14, 2006, State MAC rates for the drugs in Table 5 increase.

Table 3 – State MAC Rate List Increase, Effective February 14, 2006

Drug Name	State MAC Rate	Drug Name	State MAC Rate
AMITRIPTYLINE HCL 50 MG TAB	0.03880	THEOPHYLLINE ER 300 MG TABLET	0.16670
CLINDAMYCIN PH 1% SOLUTION	0.09540	TRIAMCINOLONE 0.1% CREAM	0.04930
SULFAMETHOXAZOLE/TMP DS TAB	0.09450		

Effective March 31, 2006, State MAC rates for the drugs in Table 6 decrease.

Table 4 – State MAC Rate Decrease, Effective March 31, 2006

Drug Name	State MAC Rate	Drug Name	State MAC Rate
BACLOFEN 10 MG TABLET	0.14210	METOPROLOL 50 MG TABLET	0.02960
BUSPIRONE HCL 15 MG TABLET	0.12260	MIRTAZAPINE 30 MG TABLET	0.26390
CLARITHROMYCIN 500 MG TABLET	1.32770	MORPHINE SULF 60 MG TAB SA	1.29620
ETH ESTRADIOL/DESOGEST 30/0.15 TAB	0.78170	NORTRIPTYLINE HCL 10 MG CAP	0.03620
GABAPENTIN 600 MG TABLET	1.03100	PREDNISONE 5 MG TABLET	0.02390
GABAPENTIN 800 MG TABLET	1.21460	PROMETHAZINE W/COD SYRUP	0.01620
HYDROCODONE/APAP 10/325 TAB	0.21010	RANITIDINE 150 MG TABLET	0.05020
HYDROXYZINE 10 MG/5 ML SYRUP	0.01020	TORSEMIDE 20 MG TABLET	0.36920
HYDROXYZINE PAM 50 MG CAP	0.07710	TRAMADOL HCL-ACETAMINOPHEN TAB	0.61280
KETOCONAZOLE 2% CREAM	0.52590		

Direct questions about the State MAC for legend drugs to the Myers and Stauffer Pharmacy Unit at (317) 816-4136 in the Indianapolis local area or 1-800-591-1183, or by e-mail at pharmacy@mslc.com.

Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage – Medicare Part D

Effective January 1, 2006, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) implemented the new Medicare prescription drug coverage, also known as Medicare Part D. This coverage is a new benefit to help Medicare members pay for prescription drugs.

The IHCP Web site includes a section titled *Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage*. Providers should visit this section periodically at <http://www.indianamedicaid.com/ihcp/ProviderServices/MedicareD.asp> for the latest information.

For more information about the Medicare prescription drug benefit, visit the CMS Web site at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovGenIn/>.

Documents for Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage Page

As of February 9, 2006, the documents available from the *Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage* page on the IHCP Web site have moved to a new page. To access the new *Documents for Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage* page, go to <http://www.indianamedicaid.com/ihcp/ProviderServices/MedicareD.asp> and click on **Documents**, or go directly to the documents page at http://www.indianamedicaid.com/ihcp/ProviderServices/MedicareD_Documents.asp. New documents continue to be added. When documents are added, IHCP E-mail Notifications are sent to subscribers. Subscribe to the IHCP E-mail Notifications service at http://www.indianamedicaid.com/ihcp/mailling_list/default.asp.