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## *Chiropractic Demonstration 2007 Rate Change*

### Key Words

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### Provider Types Affected

Chiropractors who are allowed to bill Medicare carriers or Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs) for services under the Expansion of Coverage for Chiropractic Services Demonstration

### Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is January 1, 2007.
- The implementation date is January 2, 2007.
- Section 651 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) required the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to conduct the Expansion of Coverage for Chiropractic Services Demonstration.
- This two-year demonstration (designed to evaluate the feasibility and advisability of expanding coverage of chiropractic services under Medicare) began on April 4, 2005, in selected geographic areas (the states of New Mexico and Maine, 26 northern counties in Illinois, Scott County in Iowa, and 17 central counties in Virginia).
- One of the services that chiropractors are allowed to bill for under the demonstration is Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code 98943 (chiropractic manipulative treatment, extraspinal, one or more regions).

**Note: Providers should be aware that this CPT is covered only under this demonstration.**

- Effective for dates of service January 1, 2007, through March 31, 2007, carriers and A/B MACs will use the fee amounts for CPT code 98943 found in the table on pages 1 and 2 in MLN Matters article MM5396.
- The demonstration will end on March 31, 2007.

## Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM5396.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (Change Request 5396) issued is available at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R52DEMO.pdf> on the CMS website.

If providers/suppliers have questions, they may contact their Medicare carriers or A/B MACs at their toll-free number, which may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.