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Temporary Hold of Claims with HCPCS Codes G0369 or G0370 Received on or after October 1, 2005, from Maryland Hospitals and Non-OPPS Hospitals and Dialysis Facilities

Provider Types Affected

Maryland hospitals, other hospitals not paid under the Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS), and dialysis facilities billing Medicare fiscal intermediaries (FIs) for supplying fees with HCPCS codes of G0369 or G0370

Provider Action Needed

Affected providers are advised that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has instructed FIs to suspend and hold the following claims:

- Claims from Maryland waiver hospitals with dates of service on and after January 1, 2005, containing HCPCS codes G0369 or G0370; and
- Claims from other non-OPPS hospitals and dialysis facilities with dates of service on and after January 1, 2005, containing HCPCS codes G0369 or G0370 in revenue codes **other than** 0636.

These claims are to be held until CMS can supply FIs with an October quarterly follow-up software release and the FIs have placed that software release in production. CMS has instructed the FIs to pay any applicable interest on these held claims that will be due as a result of this delay in processing the claims. FIs are to permit claims that contain G0369 and/or G0370 in revenue code 0636, that are not subject to the Maryland hospital waiver, to process to payment.

Release Date for Held Claims

CMS expects the held claims to be released for processing on or about October 20, 2005.

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Additional Information

If you have questions, please contact your intermediary at their toll-free number, which may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.

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