

Skilled Nursing Facility Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing Update

Introduction

The Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association (Association) on behalf of the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) developed this Medicare Skilled Nursing Facility Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing training session. The training session has been prepared to assist providers and Medicare fiscal intermediaries (FIs) with the information they will need to know in order to successfully implement updates to the payment system.

This session and the training publication are designed for training individuals who will in turn, train providers and FI staff. We have provided training text, overhead slides and reference documents to facilitate that process.

This training publication was produced incorporating the best information available at the time of publication. Please refer to the final rule as published in the *Federal Register* for authoritative guidance in the system.

This publication should not be considered an authoritative source in making Medicare Program policy determinations.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

ADLs	Activities of Daily Living
AHEs	Average Hourly Earnings
BBA	Balanced Budget Act of 1997
BBRA	Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999
BEA	(U.S) Bureau of Economic Analysis
BLS	(U.S.) Bureau of Labor Statistics
CAH	Critical Access Hospital
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CLIA	Clinical Laboratory Improvements Amendments (1998)
CPI	Consumer Price Index
CPI-U	Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers
CPT	(Physicians) Current Procedural Terminology
DME	Durable Medical Equipment
DMERC	Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier
DOS	Dates of Service
ECI	Employment Cost Index
ESRD	End Stage Renal Disease
FI	Fiscal Intermediary
HCFA	Health Care Financing Administration
HCPCS	HCFA Common Procedure Coding System
HIPPS	Health Insurance PPS (Rate Codes)
ICD-9-CM	International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Edition, Clinical Modification
IFC	Interim Final Rule with Comment
MDS	Minimum Data Set
MEDPAR	Medicare Provider Analysis and Review (File)
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MSA	Metropolitan Statistical Area
NCS	National Supplier Clearinghouse
NDM	National Data Mover
NECMA	New England Country Metropolitan Area
OBRA	Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987
OMRA	Other Medicare Required Assessment
PCE	Personal Care Expenditures
PM	Program Memorandum
POS	Point of Service
PPI	Producer Price Index
PRM	Provider Reimbursement Manual
PPS	Prospective Payment System
PRO	Peer Review Organization

RAI	Resident Assessment Instrument
RAPs	Resident Assessment Protocol (Guidelines)
RUG	Resource Utilization Group
SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility
STM	Staff Time Measure
SCSA	Significant Change in Status Assessment

