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### *Correction to Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Code A4217*

#### Key Words

A4217, HCPCS, Code, CR3300, MM3300, R236CP, AU, DME, CR3714, MM3714, R489CP, Urological, Ostomy, Tracheostomy, Self-Administered, Injection

#### Provider Types Affected

Providers billing Medicare fiscal intermediaries (FIs) for HCPCS code A4217

#### Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is January 1, 2005.
- The implementation date is July 5, 2005.
- MM3300 and CR3300 instructed that modifier AU (Item Furnished in Conjunction with a Urological, Ostomy, or Tracheostomy Supply) must be present on claims containing HCPCS Code A4217 (Medical, Surgical, and Self-administered Injection Supplies).
- MM3714 and CR3714 remove the requirement that modifier AU always be present with HCPCS code A4217 as stated in CR3300 and MM3300.
- HCPCS code A4217, without the presence of AU, can be used in conjunction with Durable Medical Equipment (DME).
- Claims received on or after January 1, 2005 with HCPCS Code A4217 (and no modifier) may be considered a DME supply and processed accordingly.
- All other policies as outlined in the Medicare Claims Processing Manual (Pub. 100-04), Chapter 20, Section 30.9 regarding the presence of modifier AU with HCPCS code A4217 remain the same.

#### Important Links

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3714.pdf>

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R489CP.pdf>

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