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NEW/REVISED MATERIAL--EFFECTIVE DATE: Cost Reporting Periods Beginning on or After October 1, 2003.

This transmittal facilitates data collection for Hospital based Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF). The responses to this data collection effort will be used to determine the impact on direct patient care as a result of increased Resource Utilization Group (RUG) payments in accordance with a notice published in the **Federal Register** Vol. 68, No. 149 – August 4, 2003, which provided for an increase in the RUG payments to Hospital based Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) for services rendered on or after October 1, 2003.

This transmittal also clarifies which payment system must be applied to Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs) and Long term Care Hospitals (LTCHs) based on responses to revised worksheet S-2 questions.

REVISED ELECTRONIC SPECIFICATIONS EFFECTIVE DATE: Changes to the electronic reporting specifications are effective for cost reporting periods ending on or after April 30, 2003. There are no edit implications for the above referenced revision.

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Line 24--If this is an organ procurement organization (OPO), enter the OPO number in column 2.

Line 25--Is this a teaching hospital or is your facility affiliated with a teaching hospital and receiving payment for I&R? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no.

Line 25.01--Is this a teaching program approved in accordance with CMS Pub. 15-I, chapter 4? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no.

Line 25.02--If line 25.01 is yes, was Medicare participation and approved teaching program status in effect during the first month of the cost reporting period? Enter "Y" for yes and complete Worksheet E-3, Part IV or "N" for no and complete Worksheet D-2, Part II, if applicable.

NOTE: CAHs complete question 30.04 in lieu of questions 25, 25.01, and 25.02

Line 25.03--As a teaching hospital, did you elect cost reimbursement for teaching physicians as defined in CMS Pub. 15-I, §2148? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, complete Worksheet D-9.

Line 25.04--Are you claiming costs on line 70, column 7, of Worksheet A? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, complete worksheet D-2, Part I.

Line 26--If this is a sole community hospital (SCH), enter the number of periods within this cost reporting period that SCH status was in effect. Enter the beginning and ending dates of SCH status on line 26.01. Subscript line 26.01 if more than 1 period is identified for this cost reporting period and enter multiple dates. Note: Worksheet C Part II must be completed for the period not classified as SCH (9/96). Multiple dates are created where there is a break in the date between SCH status, i.e., for calendar year provider SCH status dates are 1/1/00-6/30/00 and 9/1/00-12/31/00.

Line 27--If this hospital has an agreement with CMS under either §1883 or §1913 of the Act for swing beds, enter "Y" for yes in column 1 and indicate the agreement date in column 2 (mm/dd/yy).

Line 28--If this facility contains a hospital-based SNF, which has been granted an exemption from the cost limits in accordance with 42 CFR 413.30(e), enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no (not applicable for cost reporting periods beginning on or after July 1, 1998). For cost reporting periods beginning on or after July 1, 1998 are all patients identified as managed care patients or did your facility fail to treat Medicare eligible patients (no utilization). Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no. If no complete lines 28.01 and 28.02 and Worksheet S-7 (7/98).

Line 28.01--If this facility contains a hospital-based SNF, enter in column 1 the payment transition period of 1 = 25/75, 2 = 50/50, 3 = 75/25; or 100. Enter in columns 2 the wage adjustment factor in effect before October 1, and in column 3 the adjustment in effect on or after October 1. SNFs servicing immune-deficient patients may continue 50/50 blend through September 30, 2001.

Line 28.02--Enter the updated hospital based SNF facility rate supplied by your fiscal intermediary if you have not transitioned to 100 percent SNF PPS payment. Enter in column 2 the classification of the SNF, either (1) for urban or (2) for rural. Enter in column 3 the SNF's MSA code. If you are located in a rural area enter your State code as your MSA code.

Lines 28.03 through 28.20--A notice published in the August 4, 2003, **Federal Register**, Vol. 68, No. 149 provided for an increase in RUG payments to Hospital based Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) for payments on or after October 1, 2003, however, this data is required for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2003. Congress expected this increase to be used for direct patient care and related expenses. Subscript line 28 into the following lines: 28.03 - Staffing, 28.04 - Recruitment, 28.05 - Retention of Employees, 28.06 - Training, and 28.07-28.20 - Other. Enter in column 1 the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of total expenses for each category to total SNF

revenue from Worksheet G-2, Part I, line 6, column 3. For each line, indicate in column 2 whether the increased RUG payments received for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2003 reflects increases associated with direct patient care and related expenses by responding "Y" for yes. Indicate "N" for no if there was no increase in spending in any of these areas. If the increased spending is in an area not previously identified in areas one through four, identify on the "Other (Specify)" line(s), the cost center(s) description and the corresponding information as indicated above.

Line 29--Is this a rural hospital with a certified SNF which has fewer than 50 beds in the aggregate for both components, using the swing bed optional reimbursement method? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no.

Line 30--If this hospital qualifies as a rural primary care hospital (RPCH) or critical access hospital (CAH), enter "Y" for yes in column 1. Otherwise, enter "N" for no, and skip to line 31. (See 42 CFR 485.606ff.) For cost reporting periods beginning after October 1, 1997, the classification of rural primary care hospital is replaced by critical access hospitals (10/97).

Line 30.01--Is this cost reporting period the initial 12-month period for which the facility operated as an RPCH? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. For cost reporting periods beginning after October 1, 1997 RPCHs are eliminated and critical access hospitals are established and paid on the basis of reasonable costs. This question does not apply to CAHs (10/97).

Line 30.02--If this facility qualifies as an RPCH/CAH, has it elected the all-inclusive method of payment for outpatient services? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no (10/97). For cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2000 CAHs can elect all inclusive payment for outpatient (10/00). An adjustment for the professional component is still required on Worksheet A-8-2 (10/97).

NOTE: If the facility elected the all-inclusive method for outpatient services, professional component amounts should be excluded from deductible and coinsurance amounts and should not be included on E-1.

Line 30.03--If this facility qualifies as an CAH is it eligible for cost reimbursement for ambulance services (12/21/00s). Enter a "Y" for yes or a "N" for no. If yes, enter in column 2 the date eligibility determination was issued. (See 42 CFR 413.70(b)(5))

Line 30.04--If this facility qualifies as a CAH is it eligible for cost reimbursement for I&R training programs? Enter a "Y" for yes or an "N" for no. If yes, the GME elimination is not made on Worksheet B, Part I, column 26 and the program would be cost reimbursed. If yes complete Worksheet D-2, Part II.

Line 31--Is this a rural hospital qualifying for an exception to the certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) fee schedule? (See CFR 412.113(c).) Enter "Y" for yes in column 1. Otherwise, enter "N" for no. If you have a subprovider, subscript this line and respond accordingly (9/96) on line 31.01.

Line 32--If this is an all inclusive rate provider (see instructions in CMS Pub. 15-I, §2208), enter the applicable method in column 2.

Line 33--Is this a new hospital under 42 CFR 412.300 (PPS capital)? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in column 1. If yes, for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2002, do you elect to be reimbursed at 100 percent Federal capital payment? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in column 2.

Line 34--Is this a new hospital under 42 CFR 413.40 (TEFRA)? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in column 1.

Line 35--Have you established a new subprovider (excluded unit) under 42 CFR 413.40 (P)(f)(1)(I) (TEFRA)? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in column 1. If there is more than one subprovider, subscript this line.

Line 36--Do you elect the fully prospective payment methodology for capital costs? (See 42 CFR 412.340.) (This also includes providers that were previously hold harmless, but are now considered 100 percent fully prospective for purposes of completing Worksheet L, Part I in lieu of Worksheet L, Part II.) Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in the applicable columns. (For cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2001, the response is always "Y", except for new providers with fiscal years beginning before October 1, 2002 under 42 CFR 412.300(b) which the response is "N" for the provider's first 2 years.) Questions 36 and 37 are mutually exclusive.

Line 36.01--Does your facility qualify and receive payments for disproportionate share in accordance with 42 CFR 412.320? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If you are eligible as a result of the Pickle amendment, enter "P" instead of "Y." Do not complete this line if you answered no on line 36, except for new providers certified prior to October 1, 2001.

Line 37--Do you elect the hold harmless payment methodology for capital costs? (See 42 CFR 412.344.) Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in the applicable columns. (Not applicable for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2001, except for new providers certified prior to October 1, 2001. If a new provider's response is "Y", complete Worksheet A, line 90 and Worksheet B, Parts II and III.)

Line 37.01--If you are a hold harmless provider, are you filing on the basis of 100 percent of the Federal rate even though payment on this basis may result in lower payment under the hold harmless blend? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in the applicable columns. (Not applicable for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2001, except for new providers certified prior to October 1, 2001.)

NOTE: Providers deemed to be new in accordance with 42 CFR 412.300(b) for cost reporting periods beginning prior to October 1, 2001, the response to questions 37 and 37.01 is "N" for the provider's first two cost reporting periods. For the third thru tenth cost reporting period the response is "Y".)

Line 38--Do you have title XIX inpatient hospital services? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in column 1.

Line 38.01--Is this hospital reimbursed for title XIX through the cost report in full or in part? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in column 1.

Line 38.02--Does the title XIX program reduce capital in accordance with Medicare methodology? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no in column 1.

Line 38.03--If all of the nursing facility beds are certified for title XIX, and there are also title XVIII certified beds (dual certified) (9/96), are any of the title XVIII beds occupied by title XIX patients? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. You must complete a separate Worksheet D-1 for title XIX for each level of care.

Line 38.04--Do you operate an ICF/MR facility for purposes of title XIX? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no (9/96).

Line 39--Do not use this line.

Line 40--Are there any related organization or home office costs claimed? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no. If yes, complete Worksheet A-8-1. If you are claiming home office costs enter in column 2 the home office chain number (10/0).

Line 41--Are provider based physicians' costs included in Worksheet A? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, complete Worksheet A-8-2.

Line 42--Are physical therapy services provided by outside suppliers? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, you may be required to complete A-8-3 and/or A-8-4 for services rendered before and on or after April 10, 1998, respectively (4/98).

Line 42.01--Are occupational therapy services provided by outside suppliers? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, you may be required to complete parts of Worksheet A-8-4 for services rendered on or after April 10, 1998 (4/98).

Line 42.02--Are speech pathology services provided by outside suppliers? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, complete all parts of Worksheet A-8-4 for services rendered on or after April 10, 1998 (4/98).

Line 43--Are respiratory therapy services provided by outside suppliers? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, you may be required to complete all parts of Worksheet A-8-3 and/or A-8-4 where applicable, for services rendered before and on or after April 10, 1998, respectively (4/98).

Line 44--If you are claiming costs for renal services on Worksheet A, are they inpatient services only? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, do not complete Worksheet S-5 and the Worksheet I series.

Line 45--Have you changed your cost allocation methodology from the previously filed cost report? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no. If yes, enter the approval date in column 2.

Line 45.01--Was there a change in the statistical basis? Enter a "Y" for yes or an "N" for no.

Line 45.02--Was there a change in the order of allocation? Enter a "Y" for yes or an "N" for no.

Line 45.03--Was there a change to the simplified cost finding method? Enter a "Y" for yes and an "N" for no (9/96).

Line 46--If the provider-based SNF participates in the NHCMQ demonstration during this cost reporting period, identify the phase of the demonstration. If the SNF is participating, complete Worksheets S-7 and E-3, Part V. Only facilities in Kansas, Maine, Mississippi, New York, South Dakota, and Texas are eligible to participate in the NHCMQ demonstration.

Lines 47 through 51--If you are a provider (public or non public) that qualifies for an exemption from the application of the lower of cost or charges as provided in 42 CFR 413.13, indicate the component and/or services that qualify for the exemption. Subscript as needed for additional components.

Line 52--Does this hospital claim expenditures for extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 42 CFR 412.348(e)? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes, complete Worksheet L-1.

Line 52.01--If you are a fully prospective or hold harmless provider, are you eligible for the special exception payment pursuant to 42 CFR 412.348(g)? Enter "Y" for yes or "N" for no. If yes, complete Worksheet L, Part IV. (10/1/2001)

Line 53--If this is a Medicare dependent hospital (MDH), enter the number of periods within this cost reporting period that MDH status was in effect. Enter the beginning and ending dates of MDH status on line 53.01. Subscript line 53.01 if more than 1 period is identified for this cost reporting period and enter multiple dates (10/97).

Line 54--Enter in the appropriate category your annual malpractice premiums. If malpractice costs are being reported in other than the Administrative and General cost center complete line 54.01, and submit supporting schedules listing the cost centers and the amounts contained therein (10/97).

Line 55--Does your facility qualify for additional prospective payment in accordance with 42 CFR 412.107. Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no (10/97).

Line 56--Are you claiming ambulance costs? Enter a "Y" for yes or a "N" for no. If yes, enter in column 2, for services rendered on and after October 1, 1997, the ambulance payment per trip limit provided by your intermediary. The per trip rate is updated October 1st of each year. For cost reporting periods which overlap October 1, report the payment rate prior to October 1, on line 56, column 2 and the payment rate applicable for services on October 1 to the end of the cost reporting period on line 56.01. For cost reporting periods beginning October 1st no subscribing is required. If this is your first year of providing and reporting ambulance services, you are not subject to the payment limit. Enter a "Y" for yes or an "N" for no in column 3 (10/97). For services beginning on or after January 1, 2001 the limit will be changed to a calendar year basis. There is an additional update established by regulation for July 1, 2001. Report your ambulance trip limits (column 2) chronologically, in accordance with your fiscal year. Applicable chronological dates (column 0) should be 1/1/2001, 7/1/2001, 1/1/2002, 4/1/2002 (effective date of blend), 1/1/2003, 1/1/2004, 1/1/2005, and 1/1/2006. For services rendered on or after 4/1/2002, enter in column 4 the gross fee schedule amounts (from the PS&R or your records) for the reporting period. For services on and after 4/1/2002 through 12/31/2005 ambulance services will be subject to a blend until 100% fee schedule amount is transitioned on 1/1/2006.

CAHs exempt from the ambulance limits (Worksheet S-2, line 30.03, column 1 equals "Y") complete columns 1 and 2 only. (10/1/97b) If you are eligible for cost reimbursement of ambulance services for the entire cost reporting period complete line 56 only, no subscripts are required. A CAH exempt the ambulance limits is cost reimbursed and not subject to the fee/cost blend.

Line 57--Are you claiming nursing and allied health costs? Enter "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If yes you must subscript column 2 of Worksheet D, Parts III and IV to separately identify nursing and allied health (paramedical education) from all other medical education costs (1/1/00s).

Line 58--Are you an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) or do you contain an IRF subprovider? Enter in column 1 "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If you are an IRF or if the hospital complex contains an IRF subprovider, have you made the election for 100 percent Federal PPS reimbursement? Enter in column 2 "Y" for yes and "N" for no. This option is available only for cost reporting period beginning on or after January 1, 2002 and before October 1, 2002. **The response in column 2 determines the IRF payment system, i.e., a response of "N" indicates the payment system as "T" for TEFRA or TEFRA BLEND and follows the TEFRA calculation while a response of "Y" indicates the payment system as "P" for PPS and follows the PPS calculation.**

Line 59--Are you a Long Term Care Hospital (LTCH) or do you contain a LTCH subprovider? Enter in column 1 "Y" for yes and "N" for no. If you are a LTCH or if the hospital complex contains a LTC subprovider, have you made the election for 100 percent Federal PPS reimbursement? Enter in column 2 "Y" for yes and "N" for no. The election must be made in writing 30 days prior to the start of your cost reporting period. This option is only available for cost reporting period beginning on or after 10/1/2002 and before 10/1/2006. **The response in column 2 determines the IRF payment system, i.e., a response of "N" indicates the payment system as "T" for TEFRA or TEFRA BLEND and follows the TEFRA calculation while a response of "Y" indicates the payment system as "P" for PPS and follows the PPS calculation.**

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