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Guidelines for Payment of Vaccines (Pneumococcal Pneumonia Virus (PPV), Influenza Virus, and Hepatitis B Virus) and Their Administration at Renal Dialysis Facilities (RDFs)

Key Words

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Provider Types Affected

Freestanding and provider-based renal dialysis facilities (RDFs) that bill Medicare Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs) for vaccines and vaccine administration

Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is January 1, 2006.
- The implementation date is January 3, 2006.
- MLN Matters article 3936 was revised on September 5, 2007, to refer providers to Change Request (CR) 5037 (<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R921CP.pdf>).
- CR5037 allows the reporting of diagnosis code V06.6 in place of V03.82 and V04.81 when reporting Influenza Virus and/or PPV vaccines when the purpose of the visit was to receive both vaccines.
- In addition, CR5037 requires Medicare carriers/FIs to accept claims containing Common Procedural Terminology (CPT) code 90660 for the Influenza Virus vaccine (live for intranasal usage). The related MLN Matters article may be viewed at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM5037.pdf> on the CMS website.
- MM3936 clarifies payment rules for vaccines furnished to End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) patients (PPV, Influenza Virus, and Hepatitis B Virus) and its administration provided by RDFs (Type of bill 72X).
- Payment may be made for both the vaccine and the administration.

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- FIs pay for PPV, influenza, and Hepatitis B virus vaccines provided by freestanding RDFs based on the lower of the actual charge or 95 percent of the Average Wholesale Price.
- Provider-based RDF payment is based on reasonable cost.
- Vaccine administration payments to freestanding RDFs are based on the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule, according to its rate associated with code 90782 for services provided prior to March 1, 2003, and on code 90471 for services provided on or after March 1, 2003.
- Codes for reporting the vaccines only are listed in the table on pages 2 and 3 of MLN Matters article MM3936.

Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3936.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instructions (CR3936) issued to the provider's Medicare Fiscal Intermediary (FI) regarding this change can be found at

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R634CP.pdf> on the CMS website.