DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—April 2004 Through June 2004

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists CMS manual instructions, substantive and interpretive regulations, and other Federal Register notices that were published from April 2004 through June 2004, relating to the Medicare and Medicaid programs. This notice provides information on national coverage determinations (NCDs) affecting specific medical and health care services under Medicare. Additionally, this notice identifies certain devices with investigational device exemption (IDE) numbers approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that potentially may be covered under Medicare. Finally, this notice also includes listings of all approval numbers from the Office of Management and Budget for collections of information in CMS regulations.

Section 1871(c) of the Social Security Act requires that we publish a list of Medicare issuances in the **Federal Register** at least every 3 months. Although we are not mandated to do so by statute, for the sake of completeness of the listing, and to foster more open and transparent collaboration efforts, we are also including all Medicaid issuances and Medicare and Medicaid substantive and interpretive regulations (proposed and final) published during this 3-month time frame.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: It is possible that an interested party may have a specific information need and not be able to determine from the listed information whether the issuance or regulation would fulfill that need. Consequently, we are providing information contact persons to answer general questions concerning these items. Copies are not available through the contact persons. (See Section III of this notice for how to obtain listed material.)

Questions concerning items in Addendum III may be addressed to Karen Bowman, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C5–16–03, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, or you can call (410) 786–5252.

Questions concerning Medicare NCDs in Addendum V may be addressed to Patricia Brocato-Simons, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C1– 09–06, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, or you can call (410) 786–0261.

Questions concerning FDA-approved Category B IDE numbers listed in Addendum VI may be addressed to Eileen Davidson, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, S3–26– 10, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, or you can call (410) 786–6874.

Questions concerning approval numbers for collections of information in Addendum VII may be addressed to Dawn Willinghan, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Regulations Development and Issuances Group, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C5–09–26, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, or you can call (410) 786–6141.

Questions concerning all other information may be addressed to Margaret Teeters, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs, Regulations Development Group, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, C5–13–18, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850, or you can call (410) 786–4678.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Program Issuances

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is responsible for administering the Medicare and Medicaid programs. These programs pay for health care and related services for 39 million Medicare beneficiaries and 35 million Medicaid recipients. Administration of the two programs involves (1) furnishing information to Medicare beneficiaries and Medicaid recipients, health care providers, and the public and (2) maintaining effective communications with regional offices, State governments, State Medicaid agencies, State survey agencies, various providers of health care, all Medicare contractors that process claims and pay bills, and others. To implement the various statutes on which the programs are based, we issue regulations under the authority granted to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services under sections 1102, 1871, 1902, and related provisions of the Social Security Act (the Act). We also issue various manuals, memoranda, and

statements necessary to administer the programs efficiently.

Section 1871(c)(1) of the Act requires that we publish a list of all Medicare manual instructions, interpretive rules, statements of policy, and guidelines of general applicability not issued as regulations at least every 3 months in the Federal Register. We published our first notice June 9, 1988 (53 FR 21730). Although we are not mandated to do so by statute, for the sake of completeness of the listing of operational and policy statements, and to foster more open and transparent collaboration, we are continuing our practice of including Medicare substantive and interpretive regulations (proposed and final) published during the respective 3month time frame.

II. How To Use the Addenda

This notice is organized so that a reader may review the subjects of manual issuances, memoranda, substantive and interpretive regulations, NCDs, and FDA-approved IDEs published during the subject quarter to determine whether any are of particular interest. We expect this notice to be used in concert with previously published notices. Those unfamiliar with a description of our Medicare manuals may wish to review Table I of our first three notices (53 FR 21730, 53 FR 36891, and 53 FR 50577) published in 1988, and the notice published March 31, 1993 (58 FR 16837). Those desiring information on the Medicare NCD Manual (NCDM, formerly the Medicare Coverage Issues Manual (CIM)) may wish to review the August 21, 1989, publication (54 FR 34555). Those interested in the revised process used in making NCDs under the Medicare program may review the September 26, 2003, publication (68 FR 55634).

To aid the reader, we have organized and divided this current listing into six addenda:

• Addendum I lists the publication dates of the most recent quarterly listings of program issuances.

• Addendum II identifies previous Federal Register documents that contain a description of all previously published CMS Medicare and Medicaid manuals and memoranda.

• Addendum III lists a unique CMS transmittal number for each instruction in our manuals or Program Memoranda and its subject matter. A transmittal may consist of a single or multiple instruction(s). Often, it is necessary to use information in a transmittal in conjunction with information currently in the manuals.

• Addendum IV lists all substantive and interpretive Medicare and Medicaid

regulations and general notices published in the **Federal Register** during the quarter covered by this notice. For each item, we list the—

- Date published;
- Federal Register citation;

• Parts of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) that have changed (if applicable);

- Agency file code number; and
- Title of the regulation.

• Addendum V includes completed NCDs, or reconsiderations of completed NCDs, from the quarter covered by this notice. Completed decisions are identified by the section of the NCDM in which the decision appears, the title, the date the publication was issued, and the effective date of the decision.

• Addendum VI includes listings of the FDA-approved IDE categorizations, using the IDE numbers the FDA assigns. The listings are organized according to the categories to which the device numbers are assigned (that is, Category A or Category B), and identified by the IDE number.

• Addendum VII includes listings of all approval numbers from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for collections of information in CMS regulations in title 42; title 45, subchapter C; and title 20 of the CFR.

III. How To Obtain Listed Material

A. Manuals

Those wishing to subscribe to program manuals should contact either the Government Printing Office (GPO) or the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) at the following addresses:

Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, ATTN: New Orders, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250–7954, Telephone (202) 512–1800, Fax number (202) 512–2250 (for credit card orders); or

National Technical Information Service, Department of Commerce, 5825 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161, Telephone (703) 487–4630.

In addition, individual manual transmittals and Program Memoranda listed in this notice can be purchased from NTIS. Interested parties should identify the transmittal(s) they want. GPO or NTIS can give complete details on how to obtain the publications they sell. Additionally, most manuals are available at the following Internet address: http://cms.hhs.gov/manuals/ default.asp.

B. Regulations and Notices

Regulations and notices are published in the daily **Federal Register**. Interested individuals may purchase individual copies or subscribe to the **Federal Register** by contacting the GPO at the address given above. When ordering individual copies, it is necessary to cite either the date of publication or the volume number and page number.

The Federal Register is also available on 24x microfiche and as an online database through GPO Access. The online database is updated by 6 a.m. each day the Federal Register is published. The database includes both text and graphics from Volume 59, Number 1 (January 2, 1994) forward. Free public access is available on a Wide Area Information Server (WAIS) through the Internet and via asynchronous dial-in. Internet users can access the database by using the World Wide Web; the Superintendent of Documents home page address is http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr/ index.html, by using local WAIS client software, or by telnet to swais.gpoaccess.gov, then log in as guest (no password required). Dial-in users should use communications software and modem to call (202) 512-1661; type swais, then log in as guest (no password required).

C. Rulings

We publish rulings on an infrequent basis. Interested individuals can obtain copies from the nearest CMS Regional Office or review them at the nearest regional depository library. We have, on occasion, published rulings in the **Federal Register**. Rulings, beginning with those released in 1995, are available online, through the CMS Home Page. The Internet address is http://cms.hhs.gov/rulings.

D. CMS' Compact Disk-Read Only Memory (CD–ROM)

Our laws, regulations, and manuals are also available on CD–ROM and may be purchased from GPO or NTIS on a subscription or single copy basis. The Superintendent of Documents list ID is HCLRM, and the stock number is 717– 139–00000–3. The following material is on the CD–ROM disk:

• Titles XI, XVIII, and XIX of the Act.

• CMS-related regulations.

• CMS manuals and monthly revisions.

• CMS program memoranda. The titles of the Compilation of the Social Security Laws are current as of January 1, 1999. (Updated titles of the Social Security Laws are available on the Internet at

http://www.ssa.gov/OP_Home/ssact/ comp-toc.htm.) The remaining portions of CD–ROM are updated on a monthly basis. Because of complaints about the unreadability of the Appendices (Interpretive Guidelines) in the State Operations Manual (SOM), as of March 1995, we deleted these appendices from CD–ROM. We intend to re-visit this issue in the near future and, with the aid of newer technology, we may again be able to include the appendices on CD–ROM.

Any cost report forms incorporated in the manuals are included on the CD-ROM disk as LOTUS files. LOTUS software is needed to view the reports once the files have been copied to a personal computer disk.

IV. How To Review Listed Material

Transmittals or Program Memoranda can be reviewed at a local Federal Depository Library (FDL). Under the FDL program, government publications are sent to approximately 1,400 designated libraries throughout the United States. Some FDLs may have arrangements to transfer material to a local library not designated as an FDL. Contact any library to locate the nearest FDL.

In addition, individuals may contact regional depository libraries that receive and retain at least one copy of most Federal Government publications, either in printed or microfilm form, for use by the general public. These libraries provide reference services and interlibrary loans; however, they are not sales outlets. Individuals may obtain information about the location of the nearest regional depository library from any library.

For each CMS publication listed in Addendum III, CMS publication and transmittal numbers are shown. To help FDLs locate the materials, use the CMS publication and transmittal numbers. For example, to find the Medicare Benefit Policy publication titled "Arrangements for Physical, Occupational, and Speech Language Pathology Services," use CMS–Pub. 100–02, Transmittal No. 09.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.773, Medicare—Hospital Insurance, Program No. 93.774, Medicare— Supplementary Medical Insurance Program, and Program No. 93.714, Medical Assistance Program)

Dated: September 7, 2004.

Jacquelyn Y. White,

Director, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs.

Addendum I

This addendum lists the publication dates of the most recent quarterly listings of program issuances.

May 30, 2000 (65 FR 34481) June 28, 2002 (67 FR 43762) September 27, 2002 (67 FR 61130) December 27, 2002 (67 FR 79109) March 28, 2003 (68 FR 15196) June 27, 2003 (68 FR 38359) September 26, 2003 (68 FR 55618) December 24, 2003 (68 FR 74590) March 26, 2004 (69 FR 15837) June 25, 2004 (69 FR 35634)

Addendum II—Description of Manuals, Memoranda, and CMS Rulings

An extensive descriptive listing of Medicare manuals and memoranda was published on June 9, 1988, at 53 FR 21730 and supplemented on September 22, 1988, at 53 FR 36891 and December 16, 1988, at 53 FR 50577. Also, a complete description of the former CIM (now the NCDM) was published on August 21, 1989, at 54 FR 34555. A brief description of the various Medicaid manuals and memoranda that we maintain was published on October 16, 1992, at 57 FR 47468.

ADDENDUM III.---MEDICARE AND MEDICAID MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS

Transmittal No.	Manual/subject/publication No.			
Medicare General Information (CMS—Pub. 100–01)				
04 05 06	Scheduled Release for April Updates to Software and Pricing/Codes Files. Release of Software. Shared System Maintainer and Medicare Contractor Responsibilities for System Release. Shared System Testing Requirements for Maintainers, Beta Testers, and Contractors. Maintainers and Beta Testers—Required Levels of Testing. Minimum Testing Standards for Maintainers and Beta Testers. Testing Standards Applicable to All Beta Testers. Testing Requirements Applicable to the Common Working File Data Centers. Timeframe Requirements for All Testing Entities. Testing Documentation Requirements. Definitions. Test Care Specification Standard.			
07	The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Privacy Rule.			
	Medicare Benefit Policy (CMS—Pub. 100–02)			
09 10 11	Arrangements for Physical, Occupational, and Speech Language Pathology Services. Chapter 6. General Partial Hospitalization Services. Nurse Practitioner as Attending Physician in Hospice.			
	Requirements—General. Timing and Content of Certification. Election by Health Maintenance Organization Enrollees. Benefit Coverage. Nursing Care. Physicians' Services. Short-Term Inpatient Care. Continuous Home Care. Contracting With Physicians.			
12	New Requirements for Chiropractic Billing of Active/Corrective Treatment and Maintenance Therapy. Chiropractor's Services. Necessity for Treatment. Treatment Parameters.			
13	Diabetes Self-Management Training Services. Coverage Requirements. Certified Providers. Coding and Frequency of Training. Payment for Diabetes Self-Management Training. Incident-To Provision. Bill Processing Requiring.			
14	Special Claims Processing Instructions for Fiscal Intermediaries. Changes in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual—Chapter 10. The Destination. Institution to Institution. Separately Payable Ambulance Transport Under Part B Versus Patient. Transportation That Is Covered Under a Packaged Institutional Services. Transports to and From Medical Services for Beneficiaries Who Are Not Inpatients. Multiple Patient Ambulance Transport.			
15	Chapter 9. Requirements—General. Timing and Content of Certification. Election by Health Maintenance Organization Enrollees. Benefit Coverage. Nursing Care. Physicians' Services. Confidential.			
17	Incident-To Services on Form CMS–1500. Incident to Physician's Professional Services. Incident to Physician's Service In Clinic.			

ADDENDUM III.—MEDICARE AND MEDICAID MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS—Continued

Medicare National Coverage Determinations (CMS—Pub. 100–03) NCD—Ocular Photodynamic Therapy with Verteporfin for Age-Related Macular Degeneration. Chapter 1—NCD Manual. Reconsideration of NCD for Acupuncture. Acupuncture for Fibromyalgia. Acupuncture for Osteoarthritis Removal of Coding From NCD on Stem Cell Transplantation. Stem Cell Transplantation. NCD—Arthroscopic Lavage and Arthroscopic Debridement for the Osteoarthritic Knee. Reconsideration of NCD for Sensory Nerve Conduction Threshold Test (Note that Change Request CR 3339 constitutes a technical correction to previously issued CR 2988 dated 03/19/04. CR 2988 should be discarded and replaced with 3339). Sensory Nerve Conduction Threshold Test. Internal Reconsideration of NCD for Cardiac Pacemakers. Cardiac Pacemakers. Wedicare Claims Processing (CMS—Pub. 100–04) Confidential. Payment To Be Sent to the Bank Similar Financial Institution in the Name of a Provider. MSN Message. Remittance Advice Messages. Preventive Care. Implementation of Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing Common. Working File Edit for Therapy Codes Considered Separately Physician Services. Edit for Therapy Services Separately Payable When Furnished by a Physician. Chapter 32. Cov
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Applicable Diagnosis Code for Carriers.
Carrier Claims Requirements.
Carrier Payment Requirements. Carrier and Intermediary General Claims Processing Instructions.
Remittance Advice Notice.
Medicare Summary Notice Message.
CR 3318, Full Replacement of CR3223, Implementation of the Analysis and Design Phases of the Physician Scar- city Bonus. CR 3318 rescinds CR 3223.
Billing and Payment in a Physician Scarcity Area.
Provider Education.
Identifying Physician Scarcity Area Locations.
Claims Coding Requirements.
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Services Eligible for the Physician Scarcity Bonus. Remittance Messages.
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ADDENDUM III.—MEDICARE AND MEDICAID MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS—Continued

Transmittal No.	Manual/subject/publication No.					
220	Implementation of Section 414 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003. General Coverage and Payment Policies. Billing Methods. Definitions. Carrier Calculation of Payment Amount. General. Components of the Ambulance Fee Schedule. Zip Codes Determine Fee Schedule Amounts. Transition Overview.					
	New and Converted Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Units. Retroactive Adjustments for Provisionally Excluded Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities or Beds. Verification of Compliance Using ICD-9-CM and Impairment Group Codes.					
	Medicare Secondary Payer (CMS—Pub. 100–05)					
14	MSP Manual Update CR 2074.					
15	Fiscal and Intermediaries and Carriers Claim Processing Rules. Change in Interest Calculation for Medicare Overpayment and Underpayments. Medicare Secondary Payer Recovery Claims (Re-Named and Revised).					
16	Update Medicare Secondary Payer Group Health Recovery Demand Letters to Employers and Insurers for Data Match and Non-Data Match Debts. Insurer Letter.					
	Medicare Financial Management (CMS—Pub. 100–06)					
38	Consolidation of Claims Crossover—Small Scale Initial Implementation.					
39	Consolidation of Medicare and Medicare Supplemental (Medigap) Health Insurance Policies. Installation of Version 34.0 of the Provider Statistical and Reimbursement (PS&R) Reporting System.					
40	Modification of Contractor Reporting of Operational and Workload Data Form 5. Body of Report.					
41	Change in Interest Calculation for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments and Medicare Secondary Paye Recoveries.					
	Sample Demand Letter for Claims Accounts Receivables. Interest Accruals. Procedures for Applying Interest During Overpayment Recoupment. Notification to Provider Regarding Interest Assessment. Waiver and Adjustment of Interest Charges.					
42	Unsolicited/Voluntary Refunds. General Information. Office of Inspector General Initiatives.					
	Unsolicited/Voluntary Refund Accounts. Receiving and Processing Unsolicited/Voluntary Refund Checks When Identifying Information Is Provided.					
	Handling Checks or Associated Correspondence With Conditional Endorsements. Receiving and Processing Unsolicited/Voluntary Refund Checks When Identifying Information Is Provided. CMS Reporting Requirements. Overpayment Refund Form.					
	Unsolicited/Voluntary Refund Checks—Summary Report.					
43	Education. Expanded Identification and Workload Reporting for CMS Medicare System. Provider Overpayment Requirements System User Manual.					
44 45	Request Provider Overpayment Debt From the Provider Overpayment Requesting System. General Information. Structure of the Workload Identifier. Initial Implementation. Basic Requirements and Uses of the Identifier. Maintenance of Contractor Workload Identifiers. Notices of New Interest Rate for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments CR 2830. Addition of Instructions for Form CMS–2591 to Chapter 6. Monthly Intermediary Part A and Part B Appeals Report (Form CMS–2591). Purpose and Scope. Due Date. Completion of Items on Form CMS–2591. Heading.					

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Transmittal No.	Manual/subject/publication No.
Transmillar No.	
	A—Intermediary Appeal Request.
	B—Part B Hearing Results. C—Part A and Part B ALJ Hearings.
	D—Limitation of Liability.
	E-Part A and Part B Reopenings.
	Checking Reports.
46	Installation of Version 33.0 of the Provider Statistical and Reimbursement Reporting System-Modification of CF
	3131.
47	Expanded Identification and Workload Reporting for CMS Medicare Systems.
	Provider Overpayment Requirements System User Manual.
	Request Provider Debts from the Provider Overpayment Requirements.
	History File.
	Request Ad Hoc Reports from ARMS. General Information.
	Structure of the Workload Identifier.
	Initial Implementation.
	Basic Requirements and Uses of the Identifier.
	Maintenance of Contractor Workload Identifier.
48	This transmittal is rescinded and Replaced With Transmittal 50, dated July 30, 2004.
	Medicare State Operations Manual) (Pub. 100–07)
1	Release of Basic Manual.
	Medicare Program Integrity (CMS—Pub.100–08)
770	New Requirements for Self-Administered Drug Exclusion List Articles in the Medicare Coverage Database Articles.
71	Program Integrity Manual Revisions 72 Automated Prepayment Review. Program Integrity Management Reporting System Section 7.2 of the Program Integrity Manual.
73	Skilled Nursing Facility Certification and Recertification.
/ +	Medical Review of Certification and Recertification of Residents in Skilled Nursing Facilities.
75	Informing Beneficiaries About Which Local Medical Review Policy and /or Local Coverage Determination and /or
	National Coverage Determination Is Associated with Their Claim Denial.
76	Clarification of Complex Medical Review.
	Types of Prepayment and Postpayment Review.
77	Instructions for Carriers, DMERCs, FIs, and Full PSCs When Interacting With the Comprehensive Error Rate Test-
	ing (CERT) Contractor (<i>i.e.</i> , Handling Appeals of CERT-Initiated Denials, Contracting Non-Responders, Tracking
	Over/Underpayments). Affiliated Contractor Full PSC Communication With the CERT Contractor.
	Providing Sample Information to the CERT Contractor.
	Providing Review Information to the CERT Contractor.
	Disputing Disagreeing with a CERT Decision. Handling Overpayments and Underpayments Resulting from the
	CERT Findings.
	Handling Appeals Resulting from CERT Initiated Denials.
	Tracking Overpayments and Appeals.
	Tracking Overpayments.
	Tracking Appeals. AC/Full PSC Requirements Involving CERT Information Dissemination.
	Contracting Non-Responders.
	Late Documentation.
	Voluntary Refunds.
	LMRP/NCD.
	Medicare Program Integrity Manual Exhibits Table of Contents.
	CERT Formats for Carrier and DMERC Standard System.
	CERT PSC Contractor Feedback Data Entry Screen Version 1.01.
	Data Items Included on CERT Reports.
	Acceptable No Resolution Reasons. Types of Referral of Non-Responding Providers.
	OIG Referral of Non-Responding Providers.
	Offices of Audit Services—Regions.
	Fee-For-Services-Appeal Processes.
78	Medical Review Progressive Corrective Action for Part A.
N	Iedicare Contractor Beneficiary and Provider Communications (CMS—Pub. 100–09)
05	Manual Instruction for Updated Beneficiary Services Sections 5104 and 2958, and Beneficiary Services Section 20
	of the Internet-Only Manual.
	Beneficiary Services.
	Guidelines for Telephone Services.

Guidelines for Telephone Services. Call Handling Requirements.

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Transmittal No.	Manual/subject/publication No.
06	Customer Service Assessment and Management System Reporting Requirements. Disclosure of Information (Adherence to the Privacy Act and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Privacy Rule). Second Level Screening of Beneficiary and Provider Inquiries (Activity Code 13201) (CR–2719). Second Level Screening of Provider Inquiries (Miscellaneous Code 13201/01). Medicare Customer Service Next Generation Desktop. Publication Requests. Medicare Participating Physicians and Suppliers Directory. Transfer of Part A Telephone/Written Inquiries Workload. Local Medical Review Policy Local Coverage Determination Requests. Guidelines for Handling Beneficiary Written Inquiries (Activity Code 13002). Customer Service Plan (Activity Code 13004). Provider/Supplier Communications—Revisions and Additions to Existing Contractor Requirements. Provider Services. Guidelines for Telephone Service. Toll Free Network Services. Publication of Toll Free Numbers. Call Handling Requirements. Customer Service Assessment and Management System Reporting Requirements. CSR Qualifications. Staff Development and Training. Quality Call Monitoring. Disclosure of Information (Adherence to the Privacy Act). Fraud and Abuse. Next Generation Desktop. Call Center User Group. Performance Improvements. Guidelines for Handling Written Inquiries. Contractor Guidelines for High Quality Written Responses to Inquiries.
	Walk-In-Inquiries.
	Guidelines for High Quality Walk-In-Service.
	Surveys.
	Medicare Managed Care (CMS—Pub. 100–16)
48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55	Grievances, Organization Determinations, and Appeals. Chapter 4—Benefits and Beneficiary Protections. Chapter 20—Plan Communications Guide. Revisions to Chapter 2—Medicare+Choice Enrollment and Disenrollment. Chapter 17a and 17b. Chapter 11—Revisions. Chapter 19—Revisions. Chapter 10, Organization Compliance With State Law and Preemption by Federal Law.
	One Time Notification (CMS—Pub. 100–20)
67 68 69	 Transmittal 67, Dated April 2, 2004, Was Rescinded and Replaced With Transmittal 81 dated May 14, 2004. Transmittal 49 Implementation Data Extension. Carrier Only Shared System Maintainer Hours for Resolution of Problems Detected as a Result of Implementation of CR 2525 and CR 2527.
70	How Fiscal Intermediaries Are To Record Coinsurance Amounts From the Provider. Statistical and Reimbursement Report for Providers Who Elected To Accept Reduced Coinsurance for Outpatient Prospective Payment System Services.
71 72	Update to the Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Codes Version 4.0. Pub. 100–20, Transmittal 72, dated April 16, 2004, Is Rescinded and Replaced With Pub. 100–20, Transmittal 82 Dated May 14, 2004.
73 74	Revised American National Standards Institute X12N 837 Professional Health Care Claims Companion Document. Emergency Correction Regarding Correction to Healthcare Common Procedure. Coding System Codes for Low Osmolar Contrast Material.
75	One Time Instructions for Audit Intermediary Cost Reporting Processes To Accommodate Claims Processing Error That Prevented Some Supply Charges From Being Reported on Home Health Prospective Payment System Claim.
76	Shared System Maintainer Hours for Resolution of Problems Detected During Health Insurance Portability and Ac- countability Act Transaction Release Testing.
77	Instructions Related to Redistribution of Unused Resident Positions, Section 422 of the Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA), P.L. 108–173, for Purposes of Graduate Medical Education Payment.
78 79	 Renovate Override Code Processing in Common Working File. 18-Month Moratorium on Physician Self-Referrals to Specialty Hospitals; Processing of Form CMS-855A Applications To Become a Medicare Certified Hospital.
80	Medicare System Acceptance of New Provider Numbers for Home Health Agencies.

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Transmittal No.	Manual/subject/publication No.			
81	Requirement for Carriers, Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers, Fiscal Intermediaries, and Full Program Safeguard Contractors To Encourage Providers To Submit Medical Records to the Comprehensive Error Rate Testing Contractor for Use in the November 2004 Improper Medicare Fee-For-Service Payment Report.			
82	This OTN Replaces Pub. 100–20, Transmittal 72, dated April 16, 2004.			
	Changes in Determining Rural Status of Hospitals for Transitional Outpatient Payments for 2004.			
83	Additional Health Insurance Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Coordination of Benefits Informa- tion for Trading Partners.			
84	Reporting Medicare Secondary Payer Information on the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 X12N 837 Created via Free Billing Software.			
85	CD-ROM Initiative for Distribution of the Annual Disclosure, Dear Doctor Letter and Participation Enrollment Mate- rial.			
86	Interface File From Recovery Management and Accounting System.			
87	Instructions Related to Redistribution of Unused Resident Positions, Section 422 of the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003, P.L. 108–173, for Purpose of Graduate Medical Education Payments.			
88	Clarification and Revision of Change Request 3084, Implementation of Section 508 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, (Public Law 108–173).			
89	Shared System Maintainer Hours for Resolution of Problems Detected As a Result of Implementation of CR 2525 and CR 2527.			
90	MMA Drug Pricing Update-Payment Limits for J7308 (Levulan Kerastick) and J9395 (Faslodex).			

ADDENDUM IV.-REGULATION DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER

Publication date	FR Vol. 69 page no.	CFR parts affected	File code	Title of regulation
April 6, 2004	17935	42 CFR part 414	CMS-1380- IFC	Medicare Program; Manufacturer Submission of Man- ufacturer's Average Sales Price (ASP) Data for Medicare Part B Drugs and Biologicals.
April 6, 2004	17933	42 CFR parts 411 and 424	CMS-1810- CN	Medicare Program; Physicians' Referrals to Health Care Entities With Which They Have Financial Re- lationships (Phase II); Correction.
April 23, 2004	22083		CMS-1363-N	Medicare Program; Meeting of the Practicing Physicians Advisory Council.
April 23, 2004	22081		CMS-4071- N2	Medicare Program; Listening Sessions on Perform- ance Measures for Public Reporting on the Quality of Hospital Care During April, May, and June 2004.
April 23, 2004	22080		CMS-4066-N	Medicare Program; Meeting of the Advisory Panel on Medicare Education—May 11, 2004, Friday, April 23, 2004.
April 23, 2004	22079		CMS-1273-N	Medicare Program; Public Meetings in Calendar Year 2004 for New Durable Medical Equipment Coding and Payment Determinations.
April 23, 2004	22065		CMS-5004-N	Medicare Program; Voluntary Chronic Care Improve- ment Under Traditional Fee-for-Service Medicare.
April 23, 2004	21963	42 CFR part 424	CMS-1185-F	Medicare Program; Elimination of Statement of Intent Procedures for Filing Medicare Claims.
May 7, 2004	25752	42 CFR part 412	CMS-1262-F	Medicare Program; Changes to the Criteria for Being Classified as an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.
May 7, 2004	25674	42 CFR part 412	CMS-126-F	Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System for Long-Term Care Hospitals: Annual Payment Rate Updates and Policy Changes, Part II.
May 18, 2004	28196	42 CFR parts 403, 412, 413, 418, 460, 480, 482, 483, 485, and 489.	CMS-1428-P	Medicare Program; Proposed Changes to the Hos- pital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2005 Rates, Part II.
May 18, 2004	28133		CMS-2189-N	Medicaid Program; Real Choice Systems Change Grants.
May 28, 2004	30660		CMS-3130-N	Medicare Program; Meeting of the Medicare Cov- erage Advisory Committee—July 14, 2004.
May 28, 2004	30659		CMS-4069-N	Medicare Program; Open Public Meeting To Discuss Definitions of Regions for Regional Medicare Pre- ferred Provider Organizations and Prescription Drug Plans Under the Medicare Modernization Act—July 21, 2004.
May 28, 2004	30658		CMS-1266-N	Medicare Program; Public Meeting in Calendar Year 2004 for New Clinical Laboratory Tests Payment Determinations.
May 28, 2004	30656		CMS-2195-N	Medicaid Program; Demonstration To Improve the Di- rect Service Community Workforce.

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May 28, 2004	30654		CMS-1269-N	Medicare Program; Establishment of the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) Tech nical Advisory Group (TAG) and Request for Nomi nations for Members.
May 28, 2004	30580	42 CFR part 440	CMS-2132-F	Medicaid Program; Provider Qualifications for Audiol ogists.
June 2, 2004	31248	42 CFR part 484	CMS-1265-P	Medicare Program; Home Health Prospective Pay- ment System Rate Update for Calendar Year 2005 Part IV.
June 2, 2004	31125		CMS-1279-N	Medicare Program; Request for Nominations for the Program Advisory Oversight Committee for the Competitive Acquisition of Durable Medical Equip- ment and Other Items.
June 2, 2004	31123		CMS-5033-N	Medicare Program; Establishment of the Advisory Board on the Demonstration of a Bundled Case-Mix Adjusted Payment System for End Stage Rena Disease Services and Request for Nominations for Members.
June 18, 2004	34169		CMS-2200- N3	Medicare Program; Meeting of the State Pharma- ceutical Assistance Transition Commission—July 7, 2004.
June 22, 2004	34585	42 CFR part 412	OFR-gen- erated cor- rection	Prospective Payment Systems for Inpatient Hospita Services—OFR Correction.
June 25, 2004	35920	42 CFR parts 403, 412, 413, 418, 460, 480, 482, 483, 485, and 489.	CMS-1428- CN	Medicare Program; Proposed Changes to the Hos- pital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2005 Rates; Correction, Part V.
June 25, 2004	35716	42 CFR parts 405, 413, and 417.	CMS-1727-P	Medicare Program; Provider Reimbursement Deter- minations and Appeals, Part II.
June 25, 2004	35650		CMS-3134-N	Medicare Program; Town Hall Meeting on Potentia Facility Qualifications for Expanded Coverage of Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty for Carotic Stenting Procedures
June 25, 2004	35634		CMS-9022-N	Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Quarterly Listing of Program Issuances—January 2004 Through March 2004.
June 25, 2004	35634		CMS-2189- CN	Medicaid Program; Real Choice Systems Change Grants; Correction Notice.
June 25, 2004	35529	42 CFR part 411	CMS-1809- F5	Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Physicians' Refer- rals to Health Care Entities With Which They Have Financial Relationships: Extension of Partial Delay of Effective Date.
June 25, 2004	35529	42 CFR part 409	CMS-1469- F2	Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities; Correcting Amendment.
June 25, 20043	35527	42 CFR parts 405 and 414	CMS-1372- CN2	Medicare Program; Changes to Medicare Payment for Drugs and Physician Fee Schedule Payments for Calendar Year 2004: Correction.
June 29, 2004	38898		CMS-5025-N	Medicare Program; Medicare Replacement Drug Demonstration.

Addendum V—National Coverage Determinations

[April 2004 Through June 2004]

A national coverage determination (NCD) is a determination by the Secretary with respect to whether or not a particular item or service is covered nationally under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, but does not include a determination of what code, if any, is assigned to a particular item or service covered under this title, or determination with respect to the amount of payment made for a particular item or service so covered. We include below all of the NCDs that were issued during the quarter covered by this notice. The entries below include information concerning completed decisions as well as sections on program and decision memoranda, which also announce pending decisions or, in some cases, explain why it was not appropriate to issue an NCD. We identify completed decisions by the section of the NCDM in which the decision appears, the title, the date the publication was issued, and the effective date of the decision. Information on completed decisions as well as pending decisions has also been posted on the CMS Web site at http://cms.hhs.gov/ coverage.

NATIONAL COVERAGE DETERMINATIONS

[April 2004 Through June 2004]

Pub. 100-03 NCDM	Title	Issue Date	Effective Date
	Ocular Photodynamic Therapy With Verteporfin for Age-Related Macular Degeneration Acupuncture for Fibromyalgia Acupuncture for Osteoarthritis Stem Cell Transplantation Arthroscopic Lavage and Arthroscopic Debridement for the Osteoarthritic Knee	4/01/04 4/16/04 4/16/04 5/28/04 6/10/04	4/01/04 4/16/04 4/16/04 7/06/04 7/11/04
160.23	Sensory Nerve Conduction Threshold Tests	6/18/04 6/25/04	4/01/04 4/30/04

Addendum VI.—FDA-Approved Category B IDEs

Under the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360c) devices fall into one of three classes. To assist CMS under this categorization process, the FDA assigns one of two categories to each FDA-approved IDE. Category A refers to experimental IDEs, and Category B refers to non-experimental IDEs. To obtain more information about the classes or categories, please refer to the **Federal Register** notice published on April 21, 1997 (62 FR 19328).

The following list includes all Category B IDEs approved by FDA during the 2nd quarter, April 2004 through June 2004.

IDE	Category
G010048 G030067 G030123 G030163	B B

IDE	Category
IDE G030242 G030251 G040003 G040004 G040011 G040036 G040038 G040050 G040050 G040053 G040055 G040055 G040055 G040055 G040059 G040069 G040061 G040062 G040062 G040063 G040063 G040064 G040069	Category B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B
G040075	В

IDE	Category
G040076	В
G040077	В
G040078	В
G040079	В
G040080	В
G040083	В
G040085	В
G040087	В
G040089	В
G040093	В
G040106	В

Addendum VII.—Approval Numbers for Collections of Information

Below we list all approval numbers for collections of information in the referenced sections of CMS regulations in title 42; title 45, subchapter C; and title 20 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget:

OMB CONTROL NUMBERS

[Approved CFR sections in title 42, title 45, and title 20 (Note: Sections in Title 45 are preceded by "45 CFR," and sections in Title 20 are preceded by "20 CFR")]

OMB No.	Approved CFR sections
0938–0008	414.40, 424.32, 424.44.
0938–0022	413.20, 413.24, 413.106.
0938–0023	424.103.
0938–0025	406.28, 407.27.
0938–0027	486.100–486.110.
0938–0033	405.807.
0938–0035	407.40.
0938–0037	413.20, 413.24.
0938–0041	408.6, 408.22.
0938–0042	410.40, 424.124.
0938–0045	405.711.
0938–0046	405.2133.
0938–0050	413.20, 413.24.
0938–0062	431.151, 435.1009, 440.250, 440.220, 442.1, 442.10–442.16, 442.30, 442.40, 442.42, 442.100–442.119, 483.400– 483.480, 488.332, 488.400, 498.3–498.5.
0938–0065	485.701–485.729.
0938–0074	491.1–491.11.
0938–0080	406.7, 406.13.
0938–0086	420.200–420.206, 455.100–455.106.
0938–0101	430.30.
0938–0102	413.20, 413.24.
0938–0107	413.20, 413.24.
0938–0146	431.800-431.865.
0938–0147	431.800-431.865.
0938–0151	493.1405, 493.1411, 493.1417, 493.1423, 493.1443, 493.1449, 493.1455, 493.1461, 493.1469, 493.1483, 493.1489.
0938–0155	405.2470.
0938–0170	493.1269-493.1285.
0938–0193	430.10–430.20, 440.167.

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0938–0202	413.17, 413.20.
0938–0214	411.25, 489.2, 489.20.
0938–0236	413.20, 413.24.
0938–0242	488.26, 442.30.
0938–0245	407.10, 407.11.
0938–0246	431.800–431.865.
0938–0251	406.7.
0938–0266	416.41, 416.83, 416.47, 416.48.
0938–0267	485.56, 485.58, 485.60, 485.64, 485.66, 410.65.
0938–0269 0938–0270	412.116, 412.632, 413.64, 413.350, 484.245.
0938–0270	405.376. 440.180, 441.300–441.305.
0938–0273	485.701–485.729.
0938–0279	424.5.
0938–0287	447.31.
0938–0296	413.170, 413.184.
0938–0300	431.800.
0938–0301	
0938-0302	418.22, 418.24, 418.28, 418.56, 418.58, 418.70, 418.74, 418.83, 418.96, 418.100. 418.1–418.405.
0938–0313 0938–0328	482.12, 482.13, 482.21, 482.22, 482.27, 482.30, 482.41, 482.43, 482.45, 482.53, 482.56, 482.57, 482.60, 482.61,
	482.62, 482.66, 485.618, 485.631.
0938–0334	491.9, 491.10.
0938–0338	486.104, 486.106, 486.110.
0938–0354	441.60.
0938–0355	488.26, 442.30.
0938–0357	409.40–409.50, 410.36, 410.170, 411.4–411.15, 421.100, 424.22, 484.18, 489.21.
0938–0358 0938–0359	412.20–412.30. 412.40–412.52.
0938–0360	488.60.
0938–0365	484.10, 484.11, 484.12, 484.14, 484.16, 484.18, 484.20, 484.36, 484.48, 484.52.
0938–0372	414.330.
0938–0378	482.60-482.62.
0938–0379	488.26, 442.30.
0938–0382	488.26, 442.30.
0938–0386 0938–0391	405.2100–405.2171. 488.18, 488.26, 488.28.
0938–0426	476.104, 476.105, 476.116, 476.134.
0938–0429	447.53.
0938–0443	473.18, 473.34, 473.36, 473.42.
0938–0444	1004.40, 1004.50, 1004.60, 1004.70.
0938–0445	412.44, 412.46, 431.630, 456.654, 466.71, 466.73, 466.74, 466.78.
0938–0447	405.2133.
0938–0448 0938–0449	
0938–0449	440.180, 441.300–441.310. 424.20.
0938–0456	412.105.
0938–0463	413.20, 413.24, 413.106.
0938–0467	431.17, 431.306, 435.910, 435.920, 435.940–435.960.
0938–0469	417.107, 417.478.
0938–0470	417.143, 422.6, 417.800–417.840.
0938–0477	412.92.
0938–0484 0938–0501	424.123. 406.15.
0938-0502	433.138.
0938–0512	486.304, 486.306, 486.307.
0938–0526	475.102, 475.103, 475.104, 475.105, 475.106.
0938–0534	410.38, 424.5.
0938-0544	493.1–493.2001.
0938-0564	411.32.
0938–0565 0938–0566	411.20–411.206. 411.404, 411.406, 411.408.
0938–0573	412.256, 412.230.
0938–0578	447.534.
0938–0581	493.1–493.2001.
0938–0599	493.1–493.2001.
0938-0600	405.371, 405.378, 413.20.
0938–0610	417.436, 417.801, 422.128, 430.12, 431.20, 431.107, 434.28, 483.10, 484.10, 489.102.

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	493.1274, 493.1278, 493.1283, 493.1289, 493.1291, 493.1299.
0938–0618	433.68, 433.74, 447.272.
0938–0653	493.1771, 493.1773, 493.1777.
0938–0657 0938–0658	405.2110, 405.2112. 405.2110, 405.2112.
0938-0659	456.700, 456.705, 456.709, 456.711, 456.712.
0938–0667	482.12, 488.18, 489.20, 489.24.
0938–0679	410.38.
0938–0685	410.32, 410.71, 413.17, 424.57, 424.73, 424.80, 440.30, 484.12.
0938–0686	493.551–493.557.
0938–0688	486.304, 486.306, 486.307, 486.310, 486.316, 486.318, 486.325.
0938–0690	488.4–488.9, 488.201.
0938–0691 0938–0692	412.106. 466.78, 489.20, 489.27.
0938–0701	422.152.
0938–0702	45 CFR 146.111, 146.115, 146.117, 146.150, 146.152, 146.160, 146.180.
0938–0703	45 CFR 148.120, 148.124, 148.126, 148.128.
0938–0713	441.16, 489.66, 489.67.
0938–0714	411.370-411.389.
0938-0717	424.57.
0938–0721 0938–0722	410.33. 422.370–422.378.
0938–0723	421.300-421.318.
0938–0730	405.410, 405.430, 405.435, 405.440, 405.445, 405.455, 410.61, 415.110, 424.24.
0938–0732	417.126, 417.470.
0938–0734	<i>45 CFR</i> 5b.
0938–0739	413.337, 413.343, 424.32, 483.20.
0938–0742	422.300-422.312.
0938–0749 0938–0753	424.57. 422.000–422.700.
0938–0754	441.152.
0938–0758	413.20, 413.24.
0938–0760	484 subpart E, 484.55.
0938–0761	484.11, 484.20.
0938–0763	422.1–422.10, 422.50–422.80, 422.100–422.132, 422.300–422.312, 422.400–422.404, 422.560–422.622.
0938–0770 0938–0778	410.2. 422.111, 422.64.
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0938–0781	411.404-411.406, 484.10.
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Medicare Program; Meeting of the State Pharmaceutical Assistance Transition Commission—October 14, 2004

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), HHS. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the State Pharmaceutical Assistance Transition Commission (SPATC). Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2)). The SPATC will develop a proposal for addressing the unique transitional issues facing State Pharmaceutical Assistance Programs (SPAPs) and SPAP participants due to the implementation of the voluntary prescription drug benefit program under Part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act. This notice also announces the appointment of an additional member to serve on the SPATC. This individual is Dennis R. O'Dell, Corporate Vice President, Health Services, Walgreen CO, Deerfield, IL.

DATES: *The Meeting:* October 14, 2004, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. e.d.s.t.

Deadline for Comments: October 6, 2004.

Special Accommodations: Persons attending the meeting who are hearing or visually impaired, or have a condition that requires special assistance or accommodations, are asked to notify the Executive Secretary by October 6, 2004 (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.) ADDRESSES: *The Meeting:* The meeting will be held at the following address: Holiday Inn, WASHINGTON-ON THE HILL, 415 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20001, United States, Toll-Free 1– 800–638–1116, Telephone: 1–202–638– 1616. Fax: 1–202–638–0707.

Comments: Submit written comments to Marge Watchorn, Executive Secretary, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S2–01–16, Baltimore, MD 21244.

Registration: Registration for members of the public is optional for this meeting. If you choose to register, please go to *http://www.cms.hhs.gov/events/* and follow the instructions on the Web site.

Web site: You may access up-to-date information on this meeting at http:// www.cms.hhs.gov/faca/spatc/ details.asp.

Hotline: You may also access up-todate information on this meeting on the CMS Advisory Committee Information Hotline, 1–877–449–5659 (toll free) or in the Baltimore area (410) 786–9379. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marge Watchorn, Executive Secretary,

410–786–4361. Mary Kahn, Press Inquiries, 202–690–6145.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 27, 2004, we published a notice (69 FR 9326) requesting nominations for individuals to serve on the State Pharmaceutical Assistance Transition Commission (SPATC). On March 5, 2004, we published a notice (69 FR 10455) announcing the establishment of the SPATC and the signing by the Secretary on March 1, 2004 of the charter establishing the SPATC. On June 18, 2004, we published a notice (69 FR 34169) announcing the first meeting of the SPATC, held on July 7, 2004, and the appointment of 23 individuals to serve as members of the SPATC. This notice announces the second public meeting of the SPATC. This notice also announces the appointment of an additional individual who will serve on the SPATC. This

individual is Dennis O'Dell, Corporate Vice President, Health Services, Walgreen CO, Deerfield, IL.

SPATC Members: Joan Henneberry (Chairperson), Clifford Barnes, Donna Boswell, James Chase, David Clark, Jay Currie, Barbara Edwards, Nora Dowd Eisenhower, Janice Faiks, Karen Greenrose, Dr. Dewey Garner, Laurie Hines, Mary Liveratti, Dr. Anne Marie Murphy, Julie Naglieri, Dennis O'Dell, Robert Power, Susan Reinhard, Sybil Richard, Elizabeth Rohn-Nelson, Marc Ryan, Linda Schofield, and Martin Schuh.

Topics of the Meeting: The Commission was chartered to address the transitional issues facing SPAPs and SPAP participants due to the implementation of the voluntary prescription drug benefit program under Part D of title XVIII of the Act. The Commission will present findings from research conducted since the last public meeting held on July 7, 2004.

Procedure and Agenda: This meeting is open to the public. Registration for members of the public is optional. However, advance registration will ensure that we are able to accommodate all members of the public. If you choose to register, please go to the website listed under **ADDRESSES** above.

The Commission will spend the majority of the meeting presenting their findings as a result of research and deliberations regarding the transitional issues facings SPAPs. After the Commission presents its findings, members of the public will have an opportunity to address the Commission regarding these issues.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2). (Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.774, Medicare— Supplementary Medical Insurance Program)

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Mark B. McClellan,

Administrator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

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