Program Memorandum
Intermediaries

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SUBJECT: **July Medicare Outpatient Code Editor (OCE) Version 16.2**

This Program Memorandum (PM) informs you that the OCE has been updated with new additions,changes, and deletions to HCFA Common Procedure Coding System/Current Procedural Terminology, Fourth Edition codes. The majority of these codes are effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2001. The OCE was delivered to the maintainers and the intermediaries on May 7, 2001. You may use the documentation sent with the OCE as HCFA's requirements. This OCE is used to process bills from Indian health service hospitals, critical access hospitals, Maryland hospitals, and hospitals located in American Samoa, Guam, and Saipan.

The *effective date* for this PM is July 1, 2001.

The *implementation date* for this PM is July 1, 2001.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after May 17, 2002.

If you have any questions, contact the appropriate regional office.

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