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CHANGE REQUEST 1713

SUBJECT: **Replacement Therapy Abstract File**

We have been notified of issues relating to implementation of the therapy/CORF supplemental file due to quarterly updates to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) and how this file is to be used in conjunction with the annual therapy abstract file. As a result, the standard system maintainers have requested that they be provided with a replacement therapy abstract file in addition to the therapy/CORF supplemental file which they have already received. In the future, the therapy abstract file will be provided on a quarterly basis at the same time as the therapy/CORF supplemental file. The announcement of the therapy abstract file retrieval name will be contained in the Program Memorandum (PM) that announces the quarterly update of the MPFSDB.

Please note there are several new codes on the therapy abstract file that were not included in the original 2001 file released November 2000. The codes are as follows:

G0193, G0194, G0195, G0196, G0197, G0198, G0199, G0200, G0201, 97532, 97533, and 97601.

These codes were effective for claims with dates of service on or after January 1, 2001. However, you need not search your files to either retract payment for claims already paid or to retroactively pay claims. Adjust any claims brought to your attention.

The new file name for you to retrieve is: MU10.@BF12390.MFS2001.ABSTR.Q3.V0515.FI

The file is available for retrieval beginning May 15, 2001.

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 15, 2002.

If you have any questions, contact Mary Anne Stevenson at 410-786-1818 for retrieval assistance, or Linda Gregory at 410-786-6138 for billing assistance.

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