## **Program Memorandum Intermediaries/Carriers**

Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

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**CHANGE REQUEST 1909** 

SUBJECT: Correction to Program Memorandum (PM) AB-01-53: Elimination of DMEPOS Fee Schedules for Repair Codes E1340, L4205, L7520, and L8049

This PM corrects an error made as part of the July 2001 update to the DMEPOS fee schedules (PM AB-01-53, CR 1619, dated April 10, 2001), whereby fee schedules were established for repair codes E1340, L4205, L7520, and L8049. We have determined that the DMEPOS fee schedule payment methodology applies to DMEPOS items and not to repair of DMEPOS items. Therefore, the fee schedules established for these codes are being discontinued effective January 1, 2002. Effective for services furnished on or after January 1, 2002, contractors should revert back to the payment method in use prior to the establishment of the fee schedules for these codes. Contractors should not adjust any previously processed claims unless they are resubmitted by the supplier. In no case should you adjust claims with dates of service prior to July 1, 2001. Contractors should notify suppliers of this change in their next scheduled bulletin and on their web sites.

The effective date for this PM is January 1, 2002.

The implementation date for this PM is January 1, 2002.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after January 1, 2003.

Any questions regarding these instructions should be directed to Joel Kaiser on (410) 786-4499.