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- Pub. 100-04 Medicare Claims Processing Manual
- Pub. 100-07 State Operations Manual (SOM)

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- Medicaid & CHIP
- Individual & Small Group Market Insurance

MLN Matters & Transmittals

- <u>CMS Transmittals</u>
- <u>SE20015</u> New Waivers for Inpatient Prospective Payment System Hospitals, Long-Term Care Hospitals, and Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities due to Provisions of the CARES Act
- <u>SE20011</u> Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) Response to the Public Health Emergency on the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

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- <u>Trump Administration Releases COVID-19 Telehealth Toolkit to Accelerate State Use of Telehealth in</u> <u>Medicaid and CHIP</u> - 04/23/2020
- <u>President Trump Expands Telehealth Benefits for Medicare Beneficiaries During COVID-19 Outbreak</u> 03/17/2020
- Medicare Telemedicine Health Care Provider Fact Sheet 03/17/2020

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- Interim Final Rule, CMS-5531-IFC: Medicare and Medicaid Programs, Basic Health Program, and Exchanges; Additional Policy and Regulatory Revisions in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and Delay of Certain Reporting Requirements for the Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program - 05/08/2020
- <u>Notification of Enforcement Discretion Rule</u>: Enforcement Discretion Under HIPAA To Allow Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information by Business Associates for Public Health and Health Oversight Activities in Response to COVID-19 04/07/2020
- Interim Final Rule, CMS-1744-IFC: Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Policy and Regulatory Revisions in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency 04/06/2020

Guidance

- <u>ASPR TRACIE: Novel Coronavirus Resources</u>
- HHS telehealth guidance & information for Providers
- Telehealth: Delivering Care Safely During COVID-19



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 Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response: <u>Waiver or Modification of Requirements Under</u> Section 1135 of the Social Security Act - 03/13/2020

OCR - HIPAA Guidance

- <u>Notification of Enforcement Discretion for Telehealth</u> 03/19/2020

 Telehealth and HIPAA FAQs 03/2020
- March 2020 HIPAA and COVID-19 Bulletin

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Guidance

• COVID-19-Related Guidance Documents for Industry, FDA Staff, and Other Stakeholders

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Health Fraud

• Fraudulent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Products

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- FDA Issues first Emergency Use Authorization for Point of Care Diagnostic 03/21/2020
- FDA Issues Guidance for Conducting Clinical Trials 03/18/2020

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Fact Sheet

• <u>Policy Statement on Practitioners That Reduce, Waive Amounts Owed by Beneficiaries for Telehealth</u> <u>Services During the COVID-19 Outbreak</u> - 03/2020

*FAQs: <u>Application of OIG's Administrative Enforcement Authorities to Arrangements Directly Connected to the</u> <u>COVID-19 Public Health Emergency</u> - 05/14/2020

Fraud Alerts

- <u>COVID-19 Scams</u> 03/23/2020
- Policy Statement Regarding Physicians and Other Practitioners That Reduce or Waive Amounts Owed by <u>Federal Health Care Program Beneficiaries for Telehealth Services During the 2019 Novel Coronavirus</u> <u>(COVID-19) Outbreak</u> - 03/17/2020

 Telehealth Services FAQs - 03/24/2020

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AAPC Knowledge Center - Barbara Cobuzzi

- Medicare Telehealth Coding as of April 30 05/01/2020
- Using Modifier 95 for Telehealth Makes Cents 04/27/2020

Foley and Lardner LLP

- <u>Coronavirus Resource Center</u>
- Health Care Law Today

Gill Compliance Solutions

• COVID-19 - Tests, Telehealth & Virtual Care - What you need to know - 03/19/2020



Hooper, Lundy, & Bookman, PC

- <u>COVID-19 Resources</u>
- Health Law Advisories

Wolters Kluwer Resources

- Health Clarity
 - COVID-19 Response and Perioperative Implications (ASA)
 - COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Resources & Tools
- Legal Professionals: Coronavirus Resources & Tools (COVID-19)

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American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA)

- AHIMA Special Update: Telehealth and Relaxed HIPAA Enforcement During COVID-19 03/24/2020
- <u>AHIMA Special Update: Release of Information Recommendations</u> 03/23/2020
- AHIMA and AHA FAQ on ICD-10-CM Coding for COVID-19

American Medical Association (AMA)

- *Special Edition Infectious Disease Testing for Bacterial or Viral Respiratory Tract Infection 05/2020
- *Meeting Archive: <u>Coding for Telemedicine and COVID-19</u> 05/06/2020
- Special Edition <u>SARS-CoV-2 Serologic Laboratory Testing</u> 04/2020
- AMA announces expedited updates to CPT for COVID-19 antibody tests 04/10/2020
- CMS payment policies & regulatory flexibilities during COVID-19 emergency
- <u>CPT reporting for COVID-19 Testing</u>
- Special coding advice during COVID-19 public health emergency
- Special Edition <u>Fact Sheet: Reporting Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2)</u> <u>Laboratory Testing</u>
- <u>Quick guide to telemedicine in practice</u>
- <u>COVID-19 coding and guidance</u>

American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA)

<u>COVID-19 FAQs</u>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- ICD-10-CM Official Coding and Reporting Guidelines April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020
- Interim Guidelines for Collecting, Handling, and Testing Clinical Specimens from Persons for Coronavirus
 Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- ICD-10-CM April 1, 2020 Addenda
- <u>New ICD-10-CM code for the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), April 1, 2020</u> 03/18/2020
- <u>Supplement Coding encounters related to COVID-19 Coronavirus Outbreak</u> 02/20/2020

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

- *General Provider Telehealth and Telemedicine Tool Kit
- <u>CMS-2020-01-R</u> Payment for Laboratory Tests for the Detection of SARS-CoV-2 or the Diagnosis of the Virus that Causes COVID-19 Making Use of the Technologies Marketed as the Roche Cobas[®] Analyzer or the Abbott Realtime System[®] as of April 13, 2020
- State Medicaid & CHIP Telehealth Toolkit: <u>Policy Considerations for States Expanding Use of Telehealth -</u> <u>COVID-19 Version</u>
- *<u>COVID-19 Interim Final Rule FAQs</u> 05/15/2020
- Medicare Telehealth FAQs 03/17/2020
- CMS Develops Additional Code for Coronavirus Lab Tests 03/05/2020
- <u>CMS Develops New Code for Coronavirus Lab Test</u> 02/13/2020



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• MAC COVID-19 Test Pricing - 03/12/2020

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- <u>CMS FAQs: Families First Coronavirus Response Act, P.L. No. 116-127 & Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, P.L. No. 116-136</u> 04/13/2020
- H.R.266/P.L. 116-139: Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act
- H.R.748/P.L. 116-136: Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act
 - HHS: CARES Act Provider Relief Fund
 - *<u>HHS FAQs: CARES Act Provider Relief Fund</u>
- P.L. 116-127: Families First Coronavirus Response Act
- P.L. 116-123: Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020
- P.L. 116-22: Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness and Advancing Innovation Act of 2019

42 USC - The Public Health and Welfare

- Sec. 247d-3a: Improving State and local public health security
- Sec. 247d-3b: Partnerships for State and regional hospital preparedness to improve surge capacity
- <u>Sec. 247d-3c</u>: Guidelines for regional health care emergency preparedness and response systems
- Sec. 247d-4: Facilities and capacities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Sec. 1320b-5: Authority to waive requirements during national emergencies

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• <u>Sec. 489.24</u>: Special Responsibilities of Medicare hospitals in emergency cases.

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 - <u>Current Emergencies</u>
 - <u>Updates for State Surveyors and Accrediting Organizations</u>
- Department of Defense (DOD): Coronavirus: DOD Response
- Food & Drug Administration (FDA): Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- Office of Inspector General (OIG)
 - <u>COVID-19 Portal</u>
 - Pandemic Response Accountability Committee
- Homeland Security: Coronavirus (COVID-19)
- National Institutes of Health (NIH): Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA): Safety and Health Topics COVID-19
- Veterans Affairs (VA): <u>Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)</u>

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- American Health Information Management Association (AHIMA): COVID-19: News & Resources
- American Heart Association: <u>Coronavirus COVID 19 Resources</u>
- American Hospital Association (AHA): Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)
- American Medical Association (AMA): Search for COVID-19 Resources
- American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA): COVID-19 Information
- United States Government: Government Response to Coronavirus, COVID-19
- White House: Coronavirus Related Content
- World Health Organization (WHO): Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Pandemic