



News Update

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CMS Releases the Interim Final Rule for the Transition Adjuster

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Today, Friday, April 1, 2011 CMS released the Interim Final Rule for the transition adjuster. It revises the transition adjuster to 0%, effectively eliminating it. It is not retroactive. It is effective for dialysis services furnished April 1st, 2011 through December 31st, 2011. For a copy of the CMS Interim Final Rule click [HERE](#).

Below is the notification that CMS sent to hill staff:

Today, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued an interim final rule with comment (IFC) that will revise the end-stage renal disease (ESRD) transition budget-neutrality adjustment finalized in the CY 2011 ESRD Prospective Payment System (PPS) final rule.

To ensure that Medicare is paying accurately and consistent with the statute, CMS is revising the transition budget-neutrality adjustment to reflect the actual election decision of ESRD facilities to receive 100 percent payment under the ESRD PPS for renal dialysis services furnished on or after January 1, 2011. This revision will be applied prospectively and results in an increase in payments of 3.1 percent by applying a zero percent adjustment for renal dialysis services furnished April 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011.

Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel



*"Save the date for the
29th CDC Annual Educational
Conference"
April 14 ~ 16, 2011*

CMS has released the proposed rules for ACOs

"This proposed rule would implement section 3022 of the Affordable Care Act which contains provisions relating to Medicare payments to providers of services and suppliers participating in Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs). Under these provisions, providers of services and suppliers can continue to receive traditional Medicare fee-for-service payments under Parts A and B, and be eligible for additional payments based on meeting specified quality and savings requirements," according to a summary of the rule, which will have a 60-day comment period. For a copy of the Proposed Rule click [HERE](#)

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Next Board Meeting

May 20, 2011 ~ Oakland

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