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Changes to HCPCS Codes for DME providers for 2006

The 2006 HCPCS Manual has important changes to several HCPCS codes that require precertification through HSM. The HCPCS codes that have been deleted will no longer be accepted by HSM after December 31, 2005. The new codes will be required to process all requests for precertification effective January 1, 2006.

Important Note: If you are a DME provider who has already received a TAN on a code that is now invalid, you must re-submit the HSM request form (page 1) to HSM with the correct codes by January 31, 2006. The submitted requests will be matched to the TAN on file, and another TAN will be issued for the new code beginning January 1, 2006. Another Certificate of Medical Necessity (CMN) will not be required as the medical necessity has already been established. Please label your request as: *New Code Submission*. DME providers will be not be able to bill on any invalid codes for dates of services on and after January 1, 2006; therefore, it is important that new TANS be obtained for the new codes that replace the invalid codes.

If you have questions about these revisions, please call the HSM Help-line for assistance Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at (866) 740-2221. If you are in the Jackson metropolitan area, please call the HSM Help-line at (601) 360-4949.

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