



State of New Jersey
Department of Human Services
Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services

MEDICAID ALERT

December 1994

TO: Hospitals - Chief Executive Officer

ROUTE TO: PATIENT ACCOUNT MANAGERS

SUBJECT: Hospital (Inpatient) "Split Claims"

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

BACKGROUND: The Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) and the fiscal agent, Unisys, have not been able to process hospital inpatient split claims until the present time. A hospital inpatient split claim situation occurs when a patient is determined eligible for Medicaid after the date of admission. As a result, all charges for the hospital stay are not covered by Medicaid because the date of Medicaid eligibility is later than the date of admission.

ACTION: The Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services is pleased to inform hospitals that the following actions will be taken regarding hospital inpatient and inpatient "crossover" split claims.

1. All hospital inpatient split claims, which had previously been denied, due to recipient ineligibility on the date of admission, will be systemically reprocessed by Unisys and will appear on your December 7, 1994 remittance advice (RA) statement.
2. Hospital specific reports will be sent to all hospital Patient Account Managers for previously denied inpatient "crossover" split claims. Hospitals will be requested to review the reports, to provide information on coinsurance days and lifetime reserve days, and return the reports to Unisys. Detailed instructions will accompany the reports.
3. All hospital inpatient and inpatient "crossover" split claims that exceed the timely filing requirements and for which Unisys has no record, must be submitted to Unisys by February 28, 1995 at the following address:

Unisys Corporation
Attention: Split Claims
P.O.Box 4801
Trenton, New Jersey 08650-4801

4. All other hospital inpatient or inpatient "crossover" split claims are to be submitted to Unisys according to standard billing practice.

Timely filing overrides will be authorized for all split claims which are completed and submitted according to DMAHS/Unisys billing instructions. Failure to comply with the above instructions will result in your claims being denied.

For further information or questions concerning this Medicaid Alert, please contact the Provider Services Unit, Unisys, Medicaid fiscal agent, at 1-800-776-6334.

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