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TO: All Hospital Providers
Directors, County Departments of Job and Family Services

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SUBJECT: Inpatient Hospital Services: DRG Updates

Summary

This Hospital Handbook Transmittal Letter (HHTL) provides information pertaining to updates to All Patient Refined – Diagnosis Related Groups (APR-DRG) version 35, used for inpatient hospital reimbursement effective October 1, 2017.

DRG and Relative Weight Updates

Effective October 1, 2017, 3M deleted ten Diagnosis Related Groups (DRG) and added eighteen new DRGs to its APR-DRG grouper system that Ohio Medicaid uses to reimburse inpatient hospital claims for hospitals subject to prospective payment. The new DRGs are the result of reassigning procedure and diagnosis codes from the deleted DRGs and existing DRGs to increase specificity and to incorporate ICD-10 code updates. 3M split the deleted DRGs into new DRGs and moved some procedures and diagnoses out of existing DRGs, which required Ohio Medicaid to also recalculate the weight for DRGs 073, 082, 091, 098, 263 and 483. The relative weights for the new and recalculated DRGs were determined using a combination of national weights and Ohio-specific relative weights.

The average length of stay (ALOS) for the new DRGs was calculated using the same formula used to calculate the relative weights.

A list of new, changed and deleted DRGs with the corresponding relative weights and ALOS is attached. The relative weights and ALOS for all other DRGs remain unchanged and the full list is located on the ODM website.

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Newly Added DRGs, Relative Weights and ALOS
Effective October 1, 2017

| DRG | SOI | ALOS | Ohio Weight | DRG | SOI | ALOS | Ohio Weight |
|-----|-----|---------|-------------|-----|-----|---------|-------------|
| 007 | 1 | 5.3410 | 6.4934 | 233 | 1 | 3.3050 | 1.1230 |
| 007 | 2 | 21.5800 | 8.1445 | 233 | 2 | 4.2660 | 1.3764 |
| 007 | 3 | 24.8500 | 12.3557 | 233 | 3 | 6.1350 | 2.0511 |
| 007 | 4 | 37.2220 | 19.0804 | 233 | 4 | 10.2650 | 3.5295 |
| 008 | 1 | 12.2780 | 6.4934 | 234 | 1 | 1.6260 | 0.8452 |
| 008 | 2 | 16.3640 | 6.9841 | 234 | 2 | 2.3140 | 1.3694 |
| 008 | 3 | 17.5810 | 9.6318 | 234 | 3 | 3.9670 | 2.0095 |
| 008 | 4 | 23.0110 | 12.5679 | 234 | 4 | 10.2650 | 3.3810 |
| 009 | 1 | 11.0220 | 8.4626 | 426 | 1 | 2.0900 | 0.4075 |
| 009 | 2 | 11.0220 | 8.4626 | 426 | 2 | 3.0700 | 0.5428 |
| 009 | 3 | 13.4420 | 8.4626 | 426 | 3 | 4.5600 | 0.8038 |
| 009 | 4 | 26.8410 | 11.9749 | 426 | 4 | 8.8000 | 1.8567 |
| 010 | 1 | 4.3100 | 1.4793 | 427 | 1 | 1.9300 | 0.5001 |
| 010 | 2 | 5.8600 | 2.0126 | 427 | 2 | 2.7300 | 0.6516 |
| 010 | 3 | 8.5000 | 2.9195 | 427 | 3 | 5.0800 | 1.0252 |
| 010 | 4 | 29.6100 | 10.1754 | 427 | 4 | 10.0000 | 2.1836 |
| 059 | 1 | 2.7500 | 0.6305 | 792 | 1 | 3.2940 | 1.0763 |
| 059 | 2 | 3.4300 | 0.7301 | 792 | 2 | 4.1190 | 1.5348 |
| 059 | 3 | 5.3300 | 0.9426 | 792 | 3 | 7.1110 | 2.5037 |
| 059 | 4 | 7.2600 | 2.3602 | 792 | 4 | 13.4490 | 5.6665 |
| 145 | 1 | 2.0400 | 0.4670 | 793 | 1 | 2.4400 | 1.0410 |
| 145 | 2 | 2.5600 | 0.5616 | 793 | 2 | 3.9100 | 1.4721 |
| 145 | 3 | 3.3300 | 0.7964 | 793 | 3 | 6.1850 | 2.4002 |
| 145 | 4 | 5.1000 | 1.5088 | 793 | 4 | 14.6180 | 5.0826 |
| 230 | 1 | 4.5590 | 1.5995 | 794 | 1 | 2.5410 | 0.9928 |
| 230 | 2 | 5.8510 | 1.9799 | 794 | 2 | 3.5400 | 1.3964 |
| 230 | 3 | 9.8340 | 2.9232 | 794 | 3 | 5.6810 | 2.3118 |
| 230 | 4 | 16.3100 | 5.2078 | 794 | 4 | 15.3730 | 4.3481 |
| 231 | 1 | 4.1220 | 1.6842 | 810 | 1 | 2.3460 | 0.5999 |
| 231 | 2 | 5.2200 | 2.0516 | 810 | 2 | 2.8260 | 0.7279 |
| 231 | 3 | 9.3270 | 2.9954 | 810 | 3 | 4.2170 | 1.0126 |
| 231 | 4 | 15.8860 | 5.3308 | 810 | 4 | 9.0510 | 2.3305 |
| 232 | 1 | 1.8900 | 1.0686 | 817 | 1 | 2.0700 | 0.3723 |
| 232 | 2 | 2.8300 | 1.3189 | 817 | 2 | 2.4800 | 0.4693 |
| 232 | 3 | 5.4800 | 2.1896 | 817 | 3 | 3.5600 | 0.7949 |
| 232 | 4 | 9.4600 | 5.0892 | 817 | 4 | 6.2700 | 1.9498 |

Changed DRGs, Relative Weights and ALOS
Effective October 1, 2017

| DRG | SOI | Ohio Weight | ALOS |
|-----|-----|-------------|---------|
| 073 | 1 | 0.9897 | 2.3280 |
| 073 | 2 | 1.2361 | 3.2020 |
| 073 | 3 | 1.8067 | 4.7690 |
| 073 | 4 | 2.0364 | 17.6080 |
| 082 | 1 | 0.5411 | 2.3260 |
| 082 | 2 | 0.6232 | 2.5320 |
| 082 | 3 | 1.0672 | 4.1280 |
| 082 | 4 | 11.0120 | 18.3780 |
| 091 | 1 | 2.2788 | 2.3330 |
| 091 | 2 | 2.3352 | 6.0540 |
| 091 | 3 | 3.6465 | 8.3000 |
| 091 | 4 | 4.7918 | 18.3710 |
| 098 | 1 | 0.8091 | 2.2800 |
| 098 | 2 | 1.3374 | 3.4320 |
| 098 | 3 | 2.0500 | 5.6060 |
| 098 | 4 | 4.4668 | 12.1420 |
| 263 | 1 | 0.9724 | 2.3140 |
| 263 | 2 | 1.1748 | 3.1630 |
| 263 | 3 | 1.7168 | 5.4030 |
| 263 | 4 | 3.5200 | 10.8730 |
| 483 | 1 | 0.8053 | 1.8800 |
| 483 | 2 | 1.2885 | 2.9930 |
| 483 | 3 | 1.8833 | 6.6640 |
| 483 | 4 | 3.1974 | 47.6670 |

DRGs Deleted in APR-DRG Version 35
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- DRG
- 003
- 070
- 080
- 090
- 093
- 221
- 225
- 262
- 481
- 791