



## Quarterly Update to the Fiscal Year 2020 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Pricer

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Effective Date: April 1, 2020

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### PROVIDER TYPES AFFECTED

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This MLN Matters Article is for providers of psychiatric services at inpatient facilities who bill Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

### PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED

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CR 11759 updates the Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities (IPF) Pricer software used in Medicare claims processing. The software package will be released on or about April 1, 2020, and contain an update to the comorbidity tables to include the new ICD-10 diagnosis code, for the Novel Coronavirus Disease, COVID-19, U07.1, effective for claims with discharges occurring on or after April 1, 2020. Please make sure your billing staffs are aware of this update.

### BACKGROUND

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On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) disease outbreak a public health emergency of international concern. This declaration resulted in the WHO Family of International Classifications (WHOFIC) Network Classification and Statistics Advisory Committee (CSAC) convening an emergency meeting to discuss creating a code for this new Coronavirus. The WHO decided that the new International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision (ICD-10) diagnosis code is U07.1 (2019-nCoV acute respiratory disease), officially named COVID-19.

The WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic on March 11, 2020. In response to this declaration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), under Sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act, changed the effective date of new ICD-10 diagnosis code U07.1 (COVID-19) from October 1, 2020, to April 1, 2020.

MACs will install the new revised Pricer program promptly to ensure accurate payments for IPF claims.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The official instruction, CR 11759, issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/r10038CP.pdf>.

If you have questions, your MACs may have more information. Find their website at <http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list>.

## DOCUMENT HISTORY

Date of Change	Description
April 10, 2020	Initial article released.

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