

The Upstate Medicare Division (UMD) Web site, www.umd.nycpic.com, contains a plethora of valuable information for Medicare providers. Our site puts you in touch with the latest updates and changes regarding the Medicare program. We encourage you to visit the UMD Web site often, as we're continually updating the content.

Getting Started

When you visit our homepage at www.umd.nycpic.com, select **Upstate Medicare Division**, and then you can access information for Medicare beneficiaries or providers. For easy navigation, a list of main categories is included for the "Beneficiaries" and "Providers" sections.

Once you select one of the categories in the "Beneficiaries" or "Providers" sections, a left-hand side navigation menu for the categories will appear on each page within the section.

The following is an outline of the categories and information in the "Providers" section.

Need help navigating our Web site? View the "Navigating the UMD Web Site" online educational presentation, which is accessible from www.umd.nycpic.com/umd.html.

Provider Information

What's New

- This listing of the latest changes to the site includes newsworthy and important Medicare information.

Events

- An events calendar of Medicare educational events. Includes an online registration option.

HIPAA

- Information about the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Education

- Information for ambulance suppliers.
- Minutes from Ask the Contractor teleconferences.
- Educational brochures.
- Claim submission error reports.
- Educational articles on a variety of topics.
- Frequently asked questions (FAQs).
- Medical Review advisories.
- Medicare Learning Network.
- Online educational presentations & quizzes.
- Outreach materials from educational events.
- Web site usage tools.

CERT

- Information about the Comprehensive Error Rate Testing (CERT) Program.

Publications

- *Medicare B Hotline Bulletin*, our provider bulletin.
- Evaluation and Management Coding Documentation Guidelines.
- Links to local coverage determinations (LCDs), the Medicare Participating Physician/Supplier Directory (MEDPAR), and a list of Medicare-related acronyms.

Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs)

- LCDs for UMD's service area.
- Draft LCDs (allows you to view and comment on LCDs in development) and retired LCDs/local medical review policies (LMRPs).

Enrollment

- Articles on enrollment procedures.
- Access to enrollment forms.
- Helpful enrollment hints and instructions.

NPI

- Information regarding the National Provider Identifier (NPI) implementation.

Billing Information

- Billing guides and articles addressing specific billing issues.
- Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) claims submission.

Fee Schedules

- Fee schedules for Medicare Physician, Ambulance, Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC), Clinical Laboratory, and Drug services.



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- Specialty-specific disclosure information, other information regarding the annual enrollment package and physician fee schedule, and Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) indicator information.

POE Advisory Group

- Information about the Medicare Provider Outreach and Education (POE) Advisory Group.

Fraud Prevention

- Information about Medicare fraud and abuse, including case development and how to report fraud and abuse.

Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Services

- Getting started as an electronic biller.
- Security requirements for EDI access.
- Information on free billing software.
- Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) software information.
- General EDI information.
- Manuals used by electronic billers.
- Forms used by electronic billers.
- Coordination of Benefits (COB) information, including Medigap.
- Directory of vendors available to help with electronic billing, and information for vendors.
- How to contact the EDI Services Department.

ListServes

- UMD's electronic mailing lists for Medicare information that you can subscribe to.

Links

- Links to other Web resources for providers.

Additional Information

Other information you can access on UMD's Web site includes:

About UMD

- Our history in Medicare, who we serve, facts and figures.

Contact Us

- How to reach UMD by phone, mail, and email, and driving directions.

Beneficiaries

- Educational information on the Medicare program for Medicare beneficiaries.

The best way to be kept up-to-date on the latest Medicare changes is to join the UMD ListServes.

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Web Site Guide

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