Version 33 of All Patient Refined-Diagnosis Related Group (APR DRG) Implementation

The Department of Human Services (the department) will be implementing Version 33 of the APR DRG classification system for Medical Assistance (MA) program enrolled acute care general hospitals that provide services to MA beneficiaries in the Fee-For-Service delivery system on February 1, 2016. This will affect acute care general inpatient stays with discharge dates on or after October 1, 2015. Here are some important tips regarding the transition to Version 33 of APR DRG:

Discharge dates:

- Before February 1, 2016 – claims will process with the current APR DRG Version 31 classification system
- On or after February 1, 2016 – claims will process with the Version 33 APR DRG classification system

Mass Adjustments:

The department will begin to Mass Adjust claims submitted for discharge dates of service October 1, 2015 through February 1, 2016 at a later date.

ICD-10:

Please continue to refer to the ICD-10 information on the department’s website for the latest information at the following link:

http://www.dhs.pa.gov/provider/icd10information/index.htm#VqDptU2hppg

Relative Weight Table:

Relative weights, along with average length of stay, outlier percentages and outlier thresholds for use with APR-DRG version 33 effective retroactively October 1, 2015 are anticipated to be posted on the department’s website the week of February 1, 2016, at the following link:

www.dhs.pa.gov/publications/forproviders/regulationshandbooksguidesandmanuals/#.Vow5kMLSmUk

Additional Resources:

If interested, please contact 3M for information regarding the department’s parameter settings in use with Version 33 of APR DRG.

- 1-800-361-5745 or support.3mhis.com

Thank you for your service to our Medical Assistance (MA) recipients. We value your participation. Check the department’s website often at: www.dhs.pa.gov