

Section 3113: Treatment of Certain Complex Diagnostic Laboratory Tests Demonstration



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Agenda

- Demonstration overview
- Demonstration Test List
- Demonstration payment rates
- Payment under the Demonstration
- Report to Congress
- Questions



Ground Rules

- Identify yourself
- Identify your organization
- Limit comments to 2 minutes



Legislative Mandate

Section 3113 of the Affordable Care Act:

- Defines certain complex laboratory test
- Defines separate payment
- Limits Demonstration to 2 years subject to a \$100 million total payment limit
- Requires a Report to Congress



Goal

To allow a separate payment to laboratories performing certain complex laboratory tests billed with a date of service that would under standard Medicare rules be bundled into the payment to the hospital or critical access hospital (CAH).



Complex Diagnostic Laboratory Test

Defined by section 3113(a)(2) as:

1. an analysis of gene protein expression, topographic genotyping, or a cancer chemotherapy sensitivity assay;
2. a laboratory test for which there is not an alternative test having equivalent performance characteristics;



Complex Diagnostic Laboratory Test

3. billed using a Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code other than a not otherwise classified (NOC) code;
4. approved or cleared by the Federal Drug Administration or is covered under Medicare; and
5. described in section 1861(s)(3) of the Act.

Temporary Demonstration G-codes



- meet the section 3113 criteria except that they are billed using NOC codes
- the current payment rate setting method of gap filling and cross walking is not applicable
- Supporting Information due to CMS by August 1



Temporary Demonstration G-codes

	Diagnosis	Diagnosis: Primary vs Secondary Cancer	Prognosis: Risk Assessment	Treatment: Response to agent
Analysis of gene protein expression				
Topographic genotyping				
A cancer chemotherapy sensitivity assay				



Demonstration Test List

- 36 diagnostic laboratory tests with assigned HCPCS codes
- Temporary Demonstration G-codes
- Demonstration payment rate



Payment Rates

- Each code that appears on the Demonstration Test List will have one corresponding payment rate
- Payment rates will not vary across region or MAC
- Payment rates to be determined



Date of Service

- When a test is ordered by the patient's physician less than 14 days following the date of the patient's discharge from the hospital, the hospital or CAH must bill Medicare for a clinical laboratory test provided by a laboratory and the hospital or CAH would in turn pay the laboratory if the test was furnished under arrangement.



Payment under the Demonstration

- Lab may bill Medicare directly for a test which is ordered by the patient's physician less than 14 days following the date of the patient's discharge from the hospital or CAH
- Demonstration "Project Identifier 56" on claim
- Test Code must appear on the Demonstration Test List
- All other Medicare payment policy edits apply



Payment under the Demonstration

- All Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) are instructed to make and monitor payments
- Once the first of either \$100 million is expended or 2 years passes, payment for these tests will be made under the existing non-demonstration process.
- Payment under the Demonstration begins on January 1, 2012.



Report to Congress

An assessment of the impact on:

- access to care,
- quality of care,
- health outcomes, and
- expenditures.



Questions?