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Dear Dr. Chediak:

I thank you for your letter dated June 4, 2008 in which you comment about proposed National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) edits related to HCPCS level II codes G0398-G0400 (home sleep study test (HST) with type II portable monitor, unattended . . .). We discussed your letter with CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) which owns NCCI and makes all decisions about its contents.

The proposed edits pair HCPCS codes G0398-G0400 with those CPT codes describing services that would not be reported separately with G0398-G0400 when performed at the same patient encounter. We received comments from several national organizations citing some of the tests that they thought might be performed on the same date of service at a separate patient encounter.

CMS will implement all the edits but will allow use of NCCI-associated modifiers with those edits where at least one organization stated that the column two coded procedure could be performed on the same date of service at a separate patient encounter. The attachment to this letter includes a listing of the edits with the modifier indicator assigned to each.

CMS and we appreciate your assistance with the NCCI.

Sincerely,

(Signed copy will be faxed if requested.

Please provide your fax number with the request.)

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Attachment (two pages)



ATTACHMENT – Edits with new HCPCS codes G0398-G0400 for home sleep study tests to be implemented in NCCI Version 14.3 on October 1, 2008

Modifier indicator of “0” means that modifiers associated with the NCCI **MAY NOT** be used to report both procedures of a code pair edit together on the same date of service by the same provider.

Modifier indicator of “1” means that modifiers associated with the NCCI **MAY** be used to report both procedures of a code pair edit together **as described in the letter at separate patient encounters** on the same date of service by the same provider.

<u>Column 1 Code(s)</u> (Payable service)	<u>Column 2 Code(s)</u> (Denied Service)	<u>Modifier Indicator / Action</u>
<u>Group 1</u>		
G0398	G0399	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398	G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
95805	G0398-G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
95806	G0398-G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
95807	G0398-G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
95808	G0398-G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
95810	G0398-G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
95811	G0398-G0400	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
<u>Group 2</u>		
G0398, G0400	92270	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	93000-93010	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	93040-93042	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	93224-93237	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	94200	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	94360	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	94620	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	94760-94762	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	94770	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	95812-95816	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	95819-95827	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	95860-95872	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0398, G0400	95950-95961	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	92270	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	93000-93010	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
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G0399	94360	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	94620	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	94760-94762	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	94770	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	95812-95816	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	95819-95827	0 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	95860-95872	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008
G0399	95950-95961	1 / To be added to NCCI on 10/1/2008