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PAGE CHANGE(S): See page 2.

SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This change includes wage index changes and several other changes to the DRG-based payment system; FY 2002 CPT code updates; and raises the payment rate for certain providers to the physician level to follow Medicare policy.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND IMPLEMENTATION: The Effective Date is January 1, 2002 for CPT coding updates and August 1, 2003 for all other changes unless otherwise stated. The Implementation Date is August 1, 2003.

This change is made in conjunction with Mar 2002 Policy Manual, Change No. 7 and Mar 2002 Reimbursement Manual, Change No. 17.


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