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CHANGE TITLE: SEVERITY DIAGNOSTIC RELATED GROUP (DRGs) AND
PRESENT ON ADMISSION (POA) INDICATORS

PAGE CHANGE(S): See page 2.

SUMMARY OF CHANGE(S): This package contains the changes that are necessary
to implement the TRICARE/CHAMPUS DRG-based payment system that is
modeled after the Medicare Severity DRG system. The change also provides the
requirements for POA indicators which shall be implemented on October 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The Severity DRGs are effective October 1, 2008. The POA
indicators are effective October 1, 2009.

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Upon direction of the Contracting Officer.

This change is made in conjunction with Aug 2002 TPM, Change No. 81, and Aug
2002 TSM, Change No. 62.

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