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INFORMATIONAL NOTICE

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TO: Participating Hospitals – Chief Executive Officers, Chief Financial Officers, Patient Accounts Managers, and Utilization Review Departments

RE: Attachment C Utilization Review Changes

This informational notice provides notification of changes to diagnosis codes subject to admission/concurrent/continued stay inpatient utilization review. ICD-9-CM codes are routinely updated each year. Please note the following changes:

Changes in Diagnosis Codes on Attachment C

- Effective with admissions on and after January 1, 2010, the following diagnosis codes are subject to mandatory concurrent review and will be added to Attachment C:

- 453.50 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of unspecified deep vessels of lower extremity
- 453.51 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of deep vessels of lower of proximal lower extremity
- 453.52 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of deep vessels of lower of distal lower extremity
- 453.6 Venous embolism and thrombosis of superficial vessels of lower extremity
- 453.71 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of superficial veins of upper extremity
- 453.72 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of deep veins of upper extremity
- 453.73 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of upper extremity, unspecified
- 453.74 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of axillary veins
- 453.75 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of subclavian veins
- 453.76 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of internal jugular veins
- 453.77 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of other thoracic veins
- 453.79 Chronic venous embolism and thrombosis of other specified veins

- The following code has been deleted from Attachment C effective October 1, 2009, as ICD-9-CM coding guidelines now require a 5th digit for billing:

- 453.8 Deep vein thrombosis (DVT), venous embolism and thrombosis of other specified veins (venous thrombosis NEC), other

- The following codes are new 5th digit extensions of the previously reviewable code 453.8, and as such, were automatically reviewable effective October 1, 2009:

453.81 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of superficial veins of upper extremity
453.82 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of deep veins of upper extremity
453.83 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of upper extremity, unspecified
453.84 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of axillary veins
453.85 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of subclavian veins
453.86 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of internal jugular veins
453.87 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of other thoracic veins
453.89 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of specified veins

- The following codes are currently subject to mandatory concurrent review in Attachment C, but the ICD-9-CM descriptions have been **revised**. Since the codes were already reviewable, the description changes were effective October 1, 2009:

453.40 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of unspecified deep vessels of lower extremity
453.41 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of deep vessels of lower of proximal lower extremity
453.42 Acute venous embolism and thrombosis of deep vessels of lower of distal lower extremity

There are no changes at this time to Attachments A, B and D. All of the attachments can be downloaded from the department's Web site at: <http://www.hfs.illinois.gov/proqio/>

Department notices are available at: <http://www.hfs.illinois.gov/releases/>

Any questions regarding the review process may be directed to HealthSystems of Illinois (HSI) at the toll-free Helpline at 1-800-418-4045. Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health Promotion at 217-557-5438.

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