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physician service if the following requirements are met:

(i) It is a procedure that can safely be furnished in the office setting in appropriate circumstances.

(ii) It requires specialized supplies that are not routinely available in physicians' offices and that are generally disposable.

(iii) It is furnished before January 1, 1999.

(3) For the purpose of paragraph (a)(2) of this section, provider settings include only the following settings:

(i) Hospital inpatient and outpatient departments.

(ii) Ambulatory surgical centers.

(4) For the purpose of paragraph (a)(2) of this section, "routinely furnished in provider settings" means furnished in inpatient or outpatient hospital settings or ambulatory surgical centers more than 50 percent of the time.

(5) CMS establishes a list of services for which a separate supply payment may be made under this section.

(6) The fee schedule amount for supplies billed separately is not subject to a GPCI adjustment.

(b) *Services of nonphysicians that are incident to a physician's service.* Services of nonphysicians that are covered as incident to a physician's service are paid as if the physician had personally furnished the service.

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§ 414.36 Payment for drugs incident to a physician's service.

Payment for drugs incident to a physician's service is made in accordance with § 405.517 of this chapter.

§ 414.38 Special rules for payment of low osmolar contrast media.

(a) *General.* Payment for low osmolar contrast media is included in the technical component payment for diagnostic procedures except as specified in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) *Conditions for separate payment.* For diagnostic procedures furnished to beneficiaries who are neither inpatients nor outpatients of any hospital, separate payment is made for low osmolar contrast media used in all

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intrathecal injections and in intravenous, and intra-arterial injections, if it is used for patients with one or more of the following characteristics:

(1) A history of a previous adverse reaction to contrast material, with the exception of a sensation of heat, flushing, or a single episode of nausea or vomiting.

(2) A history of asthma or allergy.

(3) Significant cardiac dysfunction including recent or imminent cardiac decompensation, severe arrhythmias, unstable angina pectoris, recent myocardial infarction, and pulmonary hypertension.

(4) Generalized severe debilitation.

(5) Sickle cell disease.

(c) *Method of payment.* If one of the conditions of paragraph (b) of this section is met, payment is made for low osmolar contrast media as set forth in § 414.36 as a drug furnished incident to a physician's service, subject to paragraph (d) of this section.

(d) *Drug payment reduction.* If separate payment is made for low osmolar contrast media, the payment amount calculated in accordance with § 414.36 is reduced by 8 percent to account for the allowance for contrast media already included in the technical component of the diagnostic procedure code.

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§ 414.39 Special rules for payment of care plan oversight.

(a) *General.* Except as specified in paragraph (b) of this section, payment for care plan oversight is included in the payment for visits and other services under the physician fee schedule.

(b) *Exception.* Separate payment is made under the following conditions for physician care plan oversight services furnished to beneficiaries who receive HHA and hospice services that are covered by Medicare:

(1) The care plan oversight services require recurrent physician supervision of therapy involving 30 or more minutes of the physician's time per month.

(2) Payment is made to only one physician per patient for services furnished during a calendar month period. The physician must have furnished a service requiring a face-to-face encounter with the patient at least once during