

(4) *Code on Dental Procedures and Nomenclature*, as maintained and distributed by the American Dental Association, for dental services.

(5) The combination of *Health Care Financing Administration Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)*, as maintained and distributed by HHS, and *Current Procedural Terminology, Fourth Edition (CPT-4)*, as maintained and distributed by the American Medical Association, for physician services and other health care services. These services include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) Physician services.
- (ii) Physical and occupational therapy services.
- (iii) Radiologic procedures.
- (iv) Clinical laboratory tests.
- (v) Other medical diagnostic procedures.
- (vi) Hearing and vision services.
- (vii) Transportation services including ambulance.

(6) The *Health Care Financing Administration Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)*, as maintained and distributed by HHS, for all other substances, equipment, supplies, or other items used in health care services. These items include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) Medical supplies.
- (ii) Orthotic and prosthetic devices.
- (iii) Durable medical equipment.
- (b) For the period on and after October 16, 2003:

(1) The code sets specified in paragraphs (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(4), and (a)(5) of this section.

(2) *National Drug Codes (NDC)*, as maintained and distributed by HHS, for reporting the following by retail pharmacies:

- (i) Drugs.
- (ii) Biologics.

(3) *The Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS)*, as maintained and distributed by HHS, for all other substances, equipment, supplies, or other items used in health care services, with the exception of drugs and biologics. These items include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (i) Medical supplies.
- (ii) Orthotic and prosthetic devices.

(iii) Durable medical equipment.

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#### § 162.1011 Valid code sets.

Each code set is valid within the dates specified by the organization responsible for maintaining that code set.

### Subpart K—Health Care Claims or Equivalent Encounter Information

#### § 162.1101 Health care claims or equivalent encounter information transaction.

The health care claims or equivalent encounter information transaction is the transmission of either of the following:

(a) A request to obtain payment, and the necessary accompanying information from a health care provider to a health plan, for health care.

(b) If there is no direct claim, because the reimbursement contract is based on a mechanism other than charges or reimbursement rates for specific services, the transaction is the transmission of encounter information for the purpose of reporting health care.

#### § 162.1102 Standards for health care claims or equivalent encounter information transaction.

The Secretary adopts the following standards for the health care claims or equivalent encounter information transaction:

(a) For the period from October 16, 2002 through October 15, 2003:

(1) *Retail pharmacy drug claims*. The National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) Telecommunication Standard Implementation Guide, Version 5, Release 1, September 1999, and equivalent NCPDP Batch Standard Batch Implementation Guide, Version 1, Release 0 February 1, 1996. (Incorporated by reference in § 162.920).

(2) *Dental health care claims*. The ASC X12N 837—Health Care Claim: Dental, Version 4010, May 2000, Washington Publishing Company, 004010X097. (Incorporated by reference in § 162.920).

(3) *Professional health care claims*. The ASC X12N 837—Health Care Claim: Professional, Volumes 1 and 2, Version