

Acronyms and Abbreviations

ABN	Advance Beneficiary Notice	IOL	Intraocular lens
ALJ	Administrative Law Judge	IPPB	Intermittent Positive Pressure Breathing
AMA	American Medical Association	IV	Intravenous
ANSI	American National Standard Identification	IVR	Interactive Voice Response
ASCA	Administrative Simplification Compliance Act	LCD	Local Coverage Determination
AWP	Average Wholesale Pricing	LCL	Lowest Charge Level
BBA	Balanced Budget Act	LGHP	Large Group Health Plan
CCN	Claim Control Number	LSO	Lumbar Sacral Orthosis
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	MEDPARD	Medicare Participating Suppliers Directory
CGLIC	Connecticut General Life Insurance Company	MMA	Medicare Modernization Act (of 1999)
CMN	Certificate of Medical Necessity	MRN	Medicare Remittance Notice
COB	Coordination of Benefits	MS	Maintenance and Servicing
CPAP	Continuous Positive Airway Pressure	MSN	Medicare Summary Notice
CPI	Consumer Price Index	MSP	Medicare Secondary Payer
CSI	Claim Status Inquiry	NCD	National Coverage Determination
CWF	Common Working File	NDC	National Drug Code
DCN	Document Control Number	NSC	National Supplier Clearinghouse
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services	NSF	National Standard Format
DIF	DMERC Information Form	OBRA	Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
DME	Durable Medical Equipment	OCNA	Other Carrier Name/Address
DME MAC	Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractor	OIG	Office of the Inspector General
DMEPOS	Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies	OMB	Office of Management and Budget
DMERC	Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (as of June 2007, there are no DMERCs)	OMHA	Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals
DO	Doctor of Osteopathy	PA	Policy Article
DPM	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine	PAR	Participating Supplier
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange	PCA	Progressive Corrective Action

EFT	Electronic Funds Transfer	PDAC	Pricing, Data Analysis and Coding
e.g.	For example	PIM	Program Integrity Manual
EGHP	Employer Group Health Plan	PM	Program Memorandum
EIN	Employer Identification Number	POE	Provider Outreach and Education
EMC	Electronic Media Claims	PSC	Program Safeguard Contractor
EOB	Explanation of Benefits	QIC	Qualified Independent Contractor
EOMB	Explanation of Medicare Benefits	RA	Remittance Advice
ERL	Electronic Receipt Listing	RESNA	Rehabilitation Engineering & Assistive Technology Society of North America
ERN	Electronic Remittance Notice	RRB	Railroad Retirement Board
ESRD	End Stage Renal Disease	SACU	Supplier Audit and Compliance Unit
FCN	Financial Control Number	SADMERC	Statistical Analysis DMERC
FDA	Food and Drug Administration	SLM	Seat Lift Mechanism
Fed Reg	Federal Register	SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility
FFS	Fee-for-Service	SSA	Social Security Administration
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act	TENS	Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulator
GHP	Group Health Plan	TLSO	Thoracic-Lumbar-Sacral Orthosis
HCPCS	Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System	UMWA	United Mine Workers Association
HICN	Health Insurance Claim Number	UPIN	Unique Physicians Identification Number
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act	USC	United States Code
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization	VA	Veteran's Administration
HO	Hearing Officer	WC	Workers' Compensation
		ZPIC	Zone Program Integrity Contractor