DATE

Noridian Administrative Services, LL
Recoupment Division
Medicare Part B - AZ
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Fargo, North Dakota 58108-6721

RE: NPI # _____

Dear Sir or Madam:

We recently discovered a systematic billing error resulting in overpayments. Our claims for YAG laser capsulotomy (CPT 66821) were billed with place of service (POS) 11 (office) rather than POS 24 (ambulatory surgery center). This error occurred during the years 2005 to current.

We are currently reviewing the claims for this, and other, services that may have had the same problem and investigating the magnitude of the overpayment to Medicare. This letter accompanies our refunds for the years 2007 and 2008. Additional refunds will be made for other affected years.

Enclosed please find a refund for overpayments for calendar year 2007 in the amount of $_____ and for 2008 in the amount of $_____. Two spreadsheets are also enclosed, identifying the overpaid claims.

Our practice is committed to working productively with Medicare on this and other matters. Upon discovering the aforementioned problem, we immediately stopped submitting bills to Medicare for these services. We have now implemented a quality assurance program and will conduct training sessions designed to educate our personnel and minimize the possibility of future errors. In regards to this problem, we have already implemented an edit report that will be run on our billing system after every surgery charge batch is posted, which will insure any such errors will be corrected prior to transmission. We will be implementing other changes to our systems, as appropriate, to identify and prevent other problems.

Sincerely,

Administrator

Enclosures:
Refund check(s)

Spreadsheets listing overpayments