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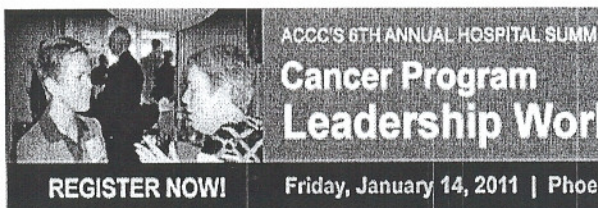
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CMS Issues Final 2011 HOPPS Physician Fee Schedule

Conference Call Scheduled for November 19, 2010

On November 2, the final 2011 Medicare rules, Hospital Outpatient Payment System (HOPPS) and CY 2011 Payment Rates and Physician Fee Schedule, were released by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

ACCC will sponsor a conference call on November 19, 2010 at 4:00 pm EDT to discuss both rules. Call in number: 888.283.6610.

The new HOPPS rule sets payment for the acquisition and separately payable drugs and biologicals without pass-through price (ASP) +5 percent (105 percent of the manufacturers' average sales price) for off-invoice discounts. **←** hospitals should be reimbursed at least ASP+6 percent, if not their associated pharmacy costs.

The new HOPPS rule modifies a number of the supervision requirements for therapeutic services, including redefining direct supervision for services to require "immediate availability" without reference to physical location.

Updated Part B - Drug Information Guide Available

ACCC's online *Part B - Drug Information Guide* has been updated with the latest information. Online updates are available on the first of each month.

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