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Government Affairs Alert

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CMS Issues Alert Regarding Periodic Workers' Compensation Payments

On July 28, 2009, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) released a document dated July 13, 2009 which further clarifies the reporting of periodic workers' compensation payments according to Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 (MMSEA).

If periodic payments are being made and the applicable workers compensation law or plan specifically precludes these periodic payments from including any direct or indirect payment for past, present, or future medical expenses—for example, periodic indemnity payments for lost wages—the RRE does not report these payments. Otherwise, these payments are considered to be part of and are reported as the ongoing responsibility for medicals (ORM).

To view the alert, click [here](#).

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