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Addendum V—Medicare Coverage Issues Manual

(For the reader's convenience, new material and changes to previously published material are in italics. If any part of a sentence in the manual instruction has changed, the entire line is shown in italics. The transmittal includes material unrelated to revised sections. We are not reprinting the unrelated material.)

Transmittal No. 71; section 80-2 Outpatient Diabetic Education Programs. NEW IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS—EFFECTIVE DATE: Services Furnished on or After 09/22/94.

Section 80-2, Outpatient Diabetic Education Programs.— This section has been added to reflect coverage of outpatient diabetic education programs.

80-2 OUTPATIENT DIABETIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS

An outpatient hospital diabetic education program is a program which educates patients in the successful self-management of diabetes. An outpatient diabetic program includes education about performance of frequent self-monitoring of blood glucose,

education about diet and exercise, an insulin treatment plan developed specifically for the patient who is insulin-dependent, and motivation to use the skills learned to enable self-management. Education programs should identify themselves as programs for non-insulin patients, insulin-dependent patients, or both.

Outpatient hospital diabetic education programs may be covered under Medicare provided the services are furnished under a physician's order by the provider's personnel and under medical staff supervision to individuals who are registered patients of that provider. The services must be closely related to the care and treatment of the individual patient and must provide the patient with essential knowledge that aids in the patient's active participation in his/her own treatment and the skills that enable self-management.

Do not substitute formally structured education programs for the more traditional and generally effective instruction included as a part of the basic care and treatment furnished to the patient by the health care professional.

The overall goal of outpatient hospital diabetic education programs is self-management of the disease, and each program must be sufficiently flexible to meet the individual needs of the patient. (This does not preclude some sessions of the programs to be given on an outpatient group basis.) The individual plan of care must indicate at a minimum the goals for the individual patient and how these goals will be realized.

Not all diabetic patients are eligible to participate in these programs. In general, the kinds of patients that are likely to be suitable candidates for outpatient education programs are newly diagnosed diabetics and/or unstable diabetics (e.g., a long-term diabetic with current management problems).

Entrance into these programs is by physician referral only. Self-referral is not covered. The duration of these programs should be sufficient to meet the goals of self-management within the timeframe indicated in the plan of treatment. It is not expected that any given patient could be eligible to reenter an education program unless new conditions warrant it.