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Medicaid processes adjustments related to Prior Authorization Requests (PARs)

 P_{roviders} may be aware that claim adjustments associated with prior authorizations were paid incorrectly. This was due to the incorrect calculation of PAR units.

On February 10, 2000, a correction was made to the Medicaid claims processing system. The change allows the units on a prior authorization to calculate correctly when an adjustment for a paid claim is processed.

On February 25, 2000, the affected PAR-related adjustments held for the system correction will automatically be processed. PAR-related adjustments processed after February 17, 2000 calculate PAR units correctly.

Please note that claim adjustments reverse the original claim payment and will appear under the "Adjustments Paid" heading on the February 25, 2000 remittance statement. Adjustments are identified with a "4" as the first digit of the Transaction Control Number (TCN).

Note to Pharmacies

The PAR-related adjustments apply to pharmacy supply claims only. They do **not** affect drug PARs.

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