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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**National Center for Health Statistics, ICD-10 Coordination and Maintenance Committee**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), Classifications and Public Health Data Standards Staff, announces the following meeting of the ICD-10 Coordination and Maintenance (C&M) Committee. This meeting is open to the public, limited only by the number of audio lines available. Online Registration is required.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on September 12, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., EDT, and September 13, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., EDT.

**ADDRESSES:** This is a virtual meeting. Register in advance at [https://cms.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_IWLKuwKzQU6jdvcdvXhdA](https://cms.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_IWLKuwKzQU6jdvcdvXhdA). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Further information will be provided on each of the respective web pages when it becomes available. For CDC, NCHS: [https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm\\_maintenance.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/icd/icd10cm_maintenance.htm). For the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/C-and-M-Meeting-Materials>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Purpose:* The ICD-10 Coordination and Maintenance (C&M) Committee is a public forum for the presentation of proposed modifications to the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (CM) and ICD-10 Procedure Coding System (PCS).

*Matters to be Considered:* The tentative agenda will include discussions on the ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS topics listed below. Agenda items are subject to change as priorities dictate. Please refer to the posted agenda for updates one month prior to the meeting.

ICD-10-PCS Topics:

1. Administration of Iodine (131I) Apamistamab \*\*
2. Irreversible Electroporation for Cardiac Ablation \*\*
3. Computer-aided Anesthesia and Oxygen Delivery System \*\*\*
4. Sub-epidermal Moisture Sensor \*\*
5. Insertion of Palladium-103 Radioactive Implant \*
6. Implantation of Bone Void Filler \*\*\*
7. Section X Updates
8. Addenda and Key Updates \*

\* Request is for an April 1, 2024, implementation date.

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Presentations for procedure code requests are conducted by both the requestor and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) during the C&M Committee meeting. Discussion from the requestor generally focuses on the clinical issues for the procedure or technology, followed by the proposed coding options from a CMS analyst. Topics presented may also include requests for new procedure codes that relate to a new technology add-on payment (NTAP) policy request.

CMS has modified the approach for presenting the new NTAP-related ICD-10-PCS procedure code requests that involve the administration of a therapeutic agent. For the September 12-13, 2023, ICD-10 C&M Committee meeting, consistent with the

requirements of section 1886(d)(5)(K)(iii) of the Social Security Act, applicants submitted requests to create a unique procedure code to describe the administration of a therapeutic agent, such as the option to create a new code in Section X within the ICD-10-PCS procedure code classification. CMS will initially display only those meeting materials associated with the NTAP-related ICD-10-PCS procedure code requests that involve the administration of a therapeutic agent on the CMS website in August 2023 at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/C-and-M-Meeting-Materials>.

The NTAP-related ICD-10-PCS procedure code request that involves the administration of a therapeutic agent is: Administration of Iodine (131I) Apamistamab \*\*

\*\* Request is for an April 1, 2024, implementation date, and the requestor intends to submit an NTAP application for FY 2025 consideration.

This topic will not be presented during the September 12-13, 2023, meeting. CMS will solicit public comments regarding any clinical questions or coding options included for this procedure code topic in advance of the meeting continuing through the end of the respective public comment periods. Members of the public should send any questions or comments to the CMS mailbox at: [ICDProcedureCodeRequest@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:ICDProcedureCodeRequest@cms.hhs.gov).

CMS intends to post a question-and-answer document in advance of the meeting to address any clinical or coding questions that members of the public may have submitted. Following the conclusion of the meeting, CMS will post an updated question-and-answer document to address any additional clinical or coding questions that members of the public may have submitted during the meeting that CMS was not able to address or that were submitted after the meeting.

The NTAP-related ICD-10-PCS procedure code requests that do not involve the administration of a therapeutic agent and all non-NTAP-related procedure code requests will continue to be presented during the virtual meeting on September 12, 2023, consistent with the standard meeting process.

CMS will make all meeting materials and related documents available at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/ICD10/C-and-M-Meeting-Materials>. Any inquiries related to the procedure code topics scheduled for the September 12-13, 2023, ICD-10 C&M Committee meeting that are under consideration for

April 1, 2024, or October 1, 2024, implementation should be sent to the CMS mailbox at:  
*ICDProcedureCodeRequest@cms.hhs.gov.*

ICD-10-CM Topics:

1. Abnormal Anti-cyclic Citrullinated Peptide Antibody and/or Rheumatoid Factor Without Current or Prior Clinical Diagnosis of Rheumatoid Arthritis
2. Adverse Effects of Immune Checkpoint Therapy
3. Anal Fistula
4. Baked Egg Tolerance
5. Baked Milk Tolerance
6. Duffy Phenotype
7. Flank Anatomical Specificity
8. Gulf War Illness
9. Hyperoxaluria
10. Injection Drug Use
11. Lymphoma in Remission
12. Post-exertional Malaise
13. Usher Syndrome
14. Addenda

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services**

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**Meeting Date for Ground Ambulance and Patient Billing (GAPB) Advisory Committee—August 16, 2023**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the second public meeting of the Ground Ambulance and Patient Billing (GAPB) Advisory Committee on August 16, 2023. The GAPB Advisory Committee will make recommendations with respect to the disclosure of charges and fees for ground ambulance services and

insurance coverage, consumer protection and enforcement authorities of the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and the Treasury (the Departments) and relevant States, and the prevention of balance billing to consumers. The recommendations will address options, best practices, and identified standards to prevent instances of balance billing; steps that can be taken by State legislatures, State insurance regulators, State attorneys general, and other State officials as appropriate, consistent with current legal authorities regarding consumer protection; and, legislative options for Congress to prevent balance billing.

**DATES:**

*Virtual Meeting Date:* The GAPB Advisory Committee will hold a virtual meeting on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

*Registration Link:* The virtual meeting will be open to the public and held via the Zoom webinar platform. Virtual attendance information will be provided upon registration. To register for this virtual meeting visit: [https://priforum.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_fRPS8zNkQbOl1GZux\\_MeA](https://priforum.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_fRPS8zNkQbOl1GZux_MeA). Attendance is open to the public subject to any technical or capacity limitations.

*Deadline for Registration:* All individuals who plan to attend the virtual public meeting must register to attend. The deadline to register for the public meeting is Tuesday, August 15, 2023. Interested parties are encouraged to register as far in advance of the meeting as possible. A detailed agenda and materials will be available prior to the meeting on the GAPB Advisory Committee website at: <https://www.cms.gov/regulations-guidance/advisory-committees/advisory-committee-ground-ambulance-and-patient-billing-gapb>.

A recording and a summary of the meeting will be made available on the GAPB Advisory Committee website within 45 calendar days after the meeting.

**ADDRESSES:** *Virtual Meeting Location:* The August 16, 2023, public meeting will be held virtually via Zoom only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shaheen Halim, CMS, by phone (410) 786-0641 or via email at [gapbadvisorycommittee@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:gapbadvisorycommittee@cms.hhs.gov).

Press inquiries may be submitted by phone at (202) 690-6145 or via email at [press@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:press@cms.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

Section 117(a) of the No Surprises Act, enacted as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, div. BB, tit. I, Public Law 116-260 (Dec. 27, 2020), requires the Secretaries of the Departments of Labor, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the Treasury (collectively, the Departments) to establish and convene an advisory committee for the purpose of reviewing options to improve the disclosure of charges and fees for ground ambulance services, better inform consumers of insurance options for such services, and protect consumers from balance billing. The GAPB Advisory Committee is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463 (Oct. 6, 1972), as amended, 5 U.S.C. app. 2. The GAPB Advisory Committee held its first meeting on May 2, 2023 and May 3, 2023. Information on past and current Committee activity can be found at: <https://www.cms.gov/regulations-guidance/advisory-committees/advisory-committee-ground-ambulance-and-patient-billing-gapb>.

**II. Advisory Committee Membership Roster**

On November 23, 2021, HHS published a Notice of Charter and Invitation for Member Nominations in the **Federal Register** for the GAPB Advisory Committee (86 FR 66565 through 66566). The Departments evaluated the nominees for alignment with the membership categories required under section 117 of the No Surprises Act, their professional qualifications, recognition by the ground ambulance and emergency medical services community, years of relevant experience, experience with State or Federal committees on related issues, and expertise in subject matter to be addressed by the committee. The Departments also considered membership balance as required by the FACA, and as appropriate to address health equity issues pertaining to ground ambulance consumer balance billing, and ground ambulance services in underserved communities. On December 16, 2022, HHS published a **Federal Register** notice, announcing the 17 Members of the GAPB Advisory Committee (87 FR 77122 through 77123). A subsequent update to the Committee Roster was published on April 14, 2023 (88 FR 23046).

The 17 Members of the GAPB Advisory Committee are as follows:

- Asbel Montes—Committee Chairperson; Additional Representative