CMQ03-001
Revised Guideline: X-ray for Acute Ankle Injury

Pursuant to Section 5(1)(c), 24(1), and Section 37(5) of the Medicare Protection Act, the following guideline will apply with respect to the Medical Services Commission Payment Schedule:

X-ray for Acute Ankle Injury, revised 2002.

This guideline supersedes the previous guideline, X-ray for Acute Ankle Injury, which was effective January 1, 2000.

This guideline will be used in the determination of benefits payable under the Medicare Protection Act.

Effective December 1, 2002

CMQ03-002
Guideline: Investigation and Management of Iron Deficiency

Pursuant to Section 5(1)(c), 24(1), and Section 37(5) of the Medicare Protection Act, the following guideline will apply with respect to the Medical Services Commission Payment Schedule:

Investigation and Management of Iron Deficiency

This guideline will be used in the determination of benefits payable under the Medicare Protection Act.

Effective December 1, 2002

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Approval of Guideline:
Detection and Treatment of
Heliobacter pylori Infection in Adult Patients

Pursuant to Section 5(1)(c), 24(1), and Section 37(5) of the Medicare Protection Act, the following guideline will apply with respect to the Medical Services Commission Payment Schedule:

Detection and Treatment of Heliobacter pylori Infection in Adult Patients

This guideline will be used in the determination of benefits payable under the Medicare Protection Act.

Effective February 1, 2003

Guidelines and protocols can be obtained by contacting MSP at 250 952-1347 or by faxing 250 952-1417. Guidelines and protocols are also posted on the MSP web site: http://www.healthservices.gov.bc.ca/msp/protoguides. Please e-mail your questions or comments to hlth.guidelines@gems6.gov.bc.ca.

CMQ03-004

Revised Standard Out-Patient Laboratory Requisition Form

Due to a delay in disseminating the revised Standard Out-Patient Laboratory Requisition Form (enclosed), the effective date for using the new requisition has been changed from January 1, 2003 to April 1, 2003.

MSC Audit Recovery Policy regarding non-compliance with the Standard Out-Patient Laboratory Requisition Form and the Standard Out-Patient Prenatal Cytogenetic Requisition Form will apply as of April 1, 2003.

The revised Standard Out-Patient Laboratory Requisition Form and the Standard Out-Patient Prenatal Cytogenetic Requisition Form were distributed as inserts in the Fall/Winter 2002 Physicians’ Newsletter in December 2002. Contact: Diagnostic Facilities Administrator at 250 952-3190.