



**PROVIDER BULLETIN**  
**#30-2016**

**TO:** Participating hospitals  
**FROM:** Provider Network Services  
**DATE:** December 15, 2016  
**SUBJECT:** Inpatient Hospital Readmissions Expansion

We are sending this bulletin to inform you of an upcoming expansion to the current Claim Payment Policy #00.01.47b: Inpatient Hospital Readmissions.

**Effective January 15, 2017**, this policy will be expanded to include a 6 – 30 day provision. The existing 0 – 5 day provision remains unchanged. The policy will be effective for initial admissions starting on or after January 15, 2017. Recoveries for readmissions found to be related, preventable, or avoidable will be pursued on a post-pay basis.

The updated Claim Payment Policy #00.01.47c: Inpatient Hospital Readmissions is currently posted as a Notification on the Independence Medical Policy Portal at [www.ibx.com/medpolicy](http://www.ibx.com/medpolicy).

If you have any questions about this bulletin, please contact your Network Coordinator.

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**We encourage you to share this information with appropriate members of your staff.**

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