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Chief, Policy and Compliance Division

Transmittal #67 CHAMPVA Policy Manual

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1. Explanation of changes and related index updates of the CHAMPVA Policy Manual and filing instructions are in the following summary:

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	<u>C-S</u>	<u>Pages</u>	<u>C-S</u>	<u>Pages</u>
<u>Chapter 2, Section 3.2</u> , <i>Colorectal Cancer</i> . Amends procedure codes and under Policy adds CPT and HCPCS codes for fecal occult blood testing.	2-3.2	1-2	2-3.2	1-2
<u>Chapter 2, Section 4.9</u> , <i>Cardiac Rehabilitation</i> . Removes 38 USC 1713 from Authority line and TRICARE Policy Manual reference.	2-4.9	1-3	2-4.9	1-3
<u>Chapter 2, Section 11.5</u> , <i>Photopheresis</i> . Removes 38 USC 1713 from Authority line and TRICARE Policy Manual reference; and under Policy removes reference to photopheresis for treatments on or after March 23, 1988, for skin manifestations of cutaneous T-cell lymphoma, removes reference that CPT 36522 was investigational prior to March 23, 1988, and adds coverage for photopheresis.	2-11.5	1	2-11.5	1
<u>Chapter 2, Section 23.1</u> , <i>Preventive Services</i> . Amends procedure codes.	2-23.1	1-7	2-23.1	1-7

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<u>Chapter 2, Section 30.1</u> , <i>Physical Medicine/Therapy</i> . Under Exclusions adds the last review date of August 2003 for electrical stimulation used to prevent or reverse muscular atrophy and bone demineralization of paralyzed lower limb.	2-30.1	1-17	2-30.1	1-17
<u>Chapter 2, Section 30.4</u> , <i>Nutrition Therapies</i> . Under Description amends nutritional therapy; adds to Policy additional nutritional therapy coverage and clarifies existing policy; and under Exclusions adds new exclusions and clarifies existing exclusions.	2-30.4	1-5	2-30.4	1-5
<u>Chapter 2, Section 35.2</u> , <i>Papanicolaou (PaP) Test</i> . Amends procedure codes.	2-35.2	1-3	2-35.2	1-3
Codes Index . Amends index to add and delete codes referenced in policies.		1-30		1-30
Subject Index . Amended to update and Include policies referenced in this transmittal.	P- 9 thru P-12		P- 9 thru P-12	

2. File this transmittal memorandum in the front of the CHAMPVA Policy Manual.

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