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| **Summary**         | This policy addresses the reimbursement of readmissions to the same hospital (same provider number), billed on a UB-04 claim form or its electronic equivalent or its successor form.  
                      | This policy applies to Medica commercial, Individual and Family Business (IFB) and Minnesota Health Care Programs (MHCP) products. |
| **Policy Statement**| Readmission is defined as an inpatient stay which occurs on the same day as discharge from the same hospital.  
                      | **Readmission on the Same Day as Discharge:**  
                      | Readmission to the same hospital on the same day as discharge for the same, similar or related condition is considered to be a continuation of treatment. In such cases the hospital must combine the initial and subsequent stay onto a single claim. Separately submitted claims will be denied.  
                      | If the reason for readmission does not relate in any way to the initial admission, separate claims for the initial and subsequent stay may be submitted. Condition code B4 (Admission Unrelated to Discharge on Same Day) must be included on the readmission claim and reimbursement for the readmission will be considered.  
                      | Medical records pertaining to the initial and readmission stays may be requested by Medica.  
                      | **Excluded from this policy:**  
                      | • MS DRGs 001, 002, 005-008, 010, 014, 016, 017, 652, 768, 783-798, 805-807, 817-819, 831-833, 876, 880-887, 895-897, 945 and 946  
                      | • Readmissions involving transfers or discharge against medical advice  
                      | • Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs) (revenue codes 0118, 0128, 0138, 0148, 0158) |
| **Condition Code**  | B4 Admission Unrelated to Discharge on Same Day |
| **Resources**       | • Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)  
                      | • UB-04 Data Specifications |
| **Effective Date**  | 2/6/2018 |
Revision Updates

02/06/2020  Updated the DRGs within the exclusion list.
10/15/2019  Added Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities to the exclusion list;
            Removed reference to readmissions within 1 day of discharge.