



MEDICARE
Medicare Part B

Letter Number: R-1731

Date: 03/30/2012

P.O. Box 890063
Camp Hill, PA 17089-0063

INTENT TO REFER

RE: Notice of Intent to Refer Debt to the Department of Treasury's Debt Collection Center for Cross Servicing and Offset of Federal Payments and Certain Eligible State Payments

Provider Name:
Provider Number: UNKNOWN
Outstanding Balance: \$10,020.00

Dear Sir/Madam,

On 11/18/2011, we sent a letter requesting that you refund a Recovery Auditor-identified overpayment subject to 935, **Limitation on Recoupment** . As of this date, **we have not received your payment, a 935 appeal request, or an application for an extended repayment** , and insufficient assigned Medicare claims have been submitted for collection of the balance. The outstanding amount due for this overpayment is \$10,020.00 which includes a principal amount of \$10,020.00 and interest assessed in the amount of \$0.00.

Your debt to the Medicare Program is delinquent and, by this letter, we are providing notice that your debt may be referred to the Department of Treasury's Debt Collection Center (DCC) for Cross Servicing and Offset of Federal Payments. Your debt may be referred under provisions of Federal Law, title 31 of the United States Code, Section 3720A and the authority of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996.

The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (DCIA) requires Federal agencies to refer delinquent debts to the Department of Treasury and/or the Treasury Offset Program. Under the offset program, delinquent Federal debts are collected through offset of other Federal agency payments you may be entitled to, including the offset of your income tax return through the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The TOP offsets can also be taken from eligible State payments you are entitled to.

The Debt Collection Center will use various tools to collect the debt, including offset, demand letters, phone calls, referral to a private collection agency and referral to the Department of

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Justice for litigation. Other collection tools available, which may be used, include Federal salary offset and administrative wage garnishment. If the debt is discharged, it may be reported to the IRS as potential taxable income.

During the collection process, interest will continue to accrue on the debt and you will remain legally responsible for any amount not satisfied through the collection efforts.

For Individual Debtors Filing a Joint Federal Income Tax Return The Treasury Offset

Program automatically refers debts to the IRS for offset. Your Federal income tax refund is subject to offset under this program. If you file a joint income tax return, you should contact the IRS before filing your tax return to determine the steps to be taken to protect the share of the refund which may be payable to the non-debtor spouse.

Federal Salary Offset

If the facility ownership is either a sole proprietorship or partnership, your individual salary(s) may be offset if you are or become a federal employee.

Medicaid Offset

If this matter is not resolved, CMS may instruct the Medicaid State Agency to withhold the Federal share of any Medicaid payments that may be due you or related facilities until the full amount owed Medicare is recouped, Title 42 CFR, Section 447.30(g). These recoveries will be in addition to any recoupment from other Medicare funds due you until the full amount owed to Medicare is recovered.

Please read the following instructions carefully to determine what action you may take to avoid referral for cross servicing/offset.

Repayment

Your debt will not be referred to the Department of Treasury if you make payment in full. The past due amount of \$10,020.00 owed to the Medicare Program as of 03/30/2012 includes interest accrued through . Interest is accrued monthly and is added to the balance of the debt.

Your check or money order for the amount due should be made payable to Medicare Part B and send it with a copy of this letter to:

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ATTN: Cashier
P.O. Box 890404
Camp Hill, PA 17089-0404

If you cannot make payment in full, you may be allowed to enter into an extended repayment agreement. If you are interested in an extended repayment agreement, please contact this office.

Bankruptcy

If you have filed bankruptcy and an automatic stay is in effect, you are not subject to offset while the automatic stay is in effect. Documentation supporting your bankruptcy status, along with a copy of this notice, must be forwarded to this office at the above address.

Should you have any questions, please contact your overpayment consultant at the following:

Provider - Part B: 877-235-8073

If you have any questions about the review itself, please contact the Recovery Auditor within your jurisdiction.

We look forward to hearing from you shortly.

Sincerely,

Medicare Part B
Recovery Unit