OMB#: 0935-0108

FORM ______ OF ______

MEDICAL EXPENDITURE PANEL SURVEY

MEDICAL PROVIDER COMPONENT

MEDICAL EVENT FORM

FOR

OFFICE-BASED PROVIDERS

FOR

REFERENCE YEAR 2005

(PATIENT NAME) reported that (he/she) received health care services from someone in this practice during the calendar year 2005.

B1. During this period, what is the (first/next) visit date in your records for (PATIENT NAME)?

______/_____/ ______
MO DAY YR

IF GLOBAL FEE, RECORD TYPE: ______

GLOBAL FEE

B2a. Was the visit on (DATE) covered by a **global fee**, that is, was it included in a charge that covered services received on other dates as well?

[IF NECESSARY: *Examples would be a surgeon's fee covering surgery as well as pre- and post-operative care, or an obstetrician's fee covering normal delivery as well as pre- and post-natal care.*]

YES	1
NO	2 (B3)

B2b. What other dates of service were covered by this global fee? Please include dates before or after 2005 if they were included in the global fee.

[IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 8 DATES, USE A CONTINUATION SHEET.]

MO	DAY	YR	TYPE	IF TYPE 96, SPECIFY:
____/	_____/	______	_____	________________
____/	_____/	______	_____	________________
____/	_____/	______	_____	________________
____/	_____/	______	_____	________________
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____/	_____/	______	_____	________________
____/	_____/	______	_____	________________
____/	_____/	______	_____	________________

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B2c. Did (PATIENT NAME) receive the services on (DATE) in a:

Physician's Office (TYPE=MV);
Hospital as an Inpatient (TYPE=SH);
Hospital Outpatient Department (TYPE=SO);
Hospital Emergency Room (TYPE=SE); or
Somewhere else (TYPE=96)?

B2d. Do you expect (PATIENT NAME) will receive any future services that will be covered by this same global fee?

YES	1
NO	2

GO TO B4a

B3. Did (PATIENT NAME) receive the services on (DATE) in a:

Physician's Office;	1
Hospital as an Inpatient;	2
Hospital Outpatient Department;	3
Hospital Emergency Room; or	4
Somewhere else? (SPECIFY:) ____________________	5

B4a. I need the diagnoses for (this visit/these visits). I would prefer the ICD-9 codes (or the DSM-4 codes), if they are available.

[IF CODES ARE NOT USED, RECORD DESCRIPTIONS.]

[IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 8 DIAGNOSES, USE A CONTINUATION SHEET.]

B4b. Which of these was the principal diagnosis?

	CODE	DESCRIPTION
|__|	_________	____________________
|__|	_________	____________________
|__|	_________	____________________
|__|	_________	____________________
|__|	_________	____________________
|__|	_________	____________________
|__|	_________	____________________
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IF ONLY ONE DIAGNOSIS, GO TO B5a.
IF MORE THAN ONE DIAGNOSIS:
- CHECK BOX FOR PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS
- CIRCLE '–8' IF PRINCIPAL DIAGNOSIS NOT KNOWN.................. -8

B5a. I need to know what services were provided during (this visit/these visits). I would prefer the CPT-4 codes, if they are available.

[IF CPT-4 CODES ARE NOT USED, RECORD DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES AND PROCEDURES PROVIDED.]

[IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 11 SERVICES, USE A CONTINUATION SHEET.]

B5b. ASK FOR EACH CPT-4 CODE OR DESCRIPTION: What was the **full established charge** for this service, before any adjustments or discounts?

[EXPLAIN IF NECESSARY: *The **full established charge** is the charge maintained in the physician's billing system for billing insurance carriers and Medicare or Medicaid. It is the "list price" for the service, before consideration of any discounts or adjustments resulting from contractual arrangements or agreements with insurance plans.*]

[IF NO CHARGE: *Some practices that don't charge for each individual service do associate dollar amounts with services for purposes of budgeting or cost analysis. This is sometimes called a "**charge equivalent**." Could you give me the charge equivalents for these procedures*?]

C2. IF NOT VOLUNTEERED, ASK: And what was the total? [IF NOT AVAILABLE, COMPUTE.]

	CPT-4 (including modifier)	Full established charge at time of visit or charge equivalent
a.	____________________	$__________.____
b.	____________________	$__________.____
c.	____________________	$__________.____
d.	____________________	$__________.____
e.	____________________	$__________.____
f.	____________________	$__________.____
g.	____________________	$__________.____
h.	____________________	$__________.____
i.	____________________	$__________.____
j.	____________________	$__________.____
k.	____________________	$__________.____
TOTAL CHARGES		**$_________.___**

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C3. Was the practice reimbursed for (this visit/these visits) on a fee-for-service basis or capitated basis?

[EXPLAIN IF NECESSARY:

Fee-for-service *means that the practice was reimbursed on the basis of the services provided.*

Capitated basis *means that the patient was enrolled in a prepaid managed care plan where reimbursement is not tied to specific visits.*]

[INTERVIEWER: IF IN DOUBT, CODE FEE-FOR-SERVICE.]

FEE-FOR-SERVICE BASIS 1
CAPITATED BASIS 2 (C7a)

C4. From what sources has the practice received payment for (this visit/these visits) and how much was paid by each source?

[IF NAME OF INSURER OR HMO, PROBE: And is that Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance?]

[INTERVIEWER: IF RESPONSE IS THE PATIENT PAYS A MONTHLY PREMIUM, GO BACK TO C3 AND CHANGE CODE TO 2 (CAPITATED BASIS).]

a. Patient or patient's family...	$__________.____
b. Medicare	$__________.____
c. Medicaid............................	$__________.____
d. Private insurance	$__________.____
e. VA	$__________.____
f. TRICARE/CHAMPVA/ CHAMPUS	$__________.____
g. WORKER'S COMP............	$__________.____
h. OTHER (SPECIFY): ____________________	$__________.____

C5. [IF NOT VOLUNTEERED, ASK:] And what was the total? [IF NOT AVAILABLE, COMPUTE.]

TOTAL PAYMENTS **$__________.__**

BOX 1
DO TOTAL PAYMENTS EQUAL TOTAL CHARGES?
YES................ 1 (BOX 2)
NO 2 (C6)

C6. It appears that the total payments were (less than/more than) the total charges. What is the reason for that difference? [CODE 1 (YES) FOR ALL REASONS MENTIONED.]

PAYMENTS LESS THAN CHARGES:	YES	NO
Adjustment or discount		
a. Medicare limit or adjustment	1	2
b. Medicaid limit or adjustment	1	2
c. Contractual arrangement with insurer or managed care organization	1	2
d. Courtesy discount	1	2
e. Insurance write-off	1	2
f. Worker's Comp limit or adjustment	1	2
g. Eligible veteran	1	2
h. Other (Specify:) ____________________	1	2
Expecting additional payment		
i. Patient or Patient's Family	1	2
j. Medicare	1	2
k. Medicaid	1	2
l. Private Insurance	1	2
m. VA	1	2
n. TRICARE/CHAMPVA/CHAMPUS	1	2
o. WORKER'S COMP	1	2
p. Other (Specify:) ____________________	1	2
q. **Charity care or sliding scale**	1	2
r. **Bad debt**	1	2
PAYMENTS MORE THAN CHARGES:		
s. Medicare adjustment	1	2
t. Medicaid adjustment	1	2
u. Private insurance adjustment	1	2
v. Other (Specify:) ____________________	1	2

GO TO BOX 2

CAPITATED BASIS

C7a. What kind of insurance plan covered the patient for (this visit/these visits)? Was it:

[IF NAME OF INSURER OR HMO, PROBE: And is that Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance?]

	YES	NO
a. Medicare;	1	2
b. Medicaid;	1	2
c. Private Insurance;	1	2
d. VA;	1	2
e. TRICARE/CHAMPVA/CHAMPUS;	1	2
f. Worker's Comp; or	1	2
g. Something else? (SPECIFY:) ____________________	1	2

C7b. Was there a co-payment for (this visit/these visits)?

YES 1
NO 2 (C7e)

C7c. How much was the co-payment?

$__________.__

C7d. Who paid the co-payment?

[IF NAME OF INSURER OR HMO, PROBE: And is that Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance?]

	YES	NO
a. PATIENT OR PATIENT'S FAMILY	1	2
b. MEDICARE	1	2
c. MEDICAID	1	2
d. PRIVATE INSURANCE	1	2
e. OTHER (SPECIFY): ____________________	1	2

C7e. Do your records show any other payments for (this visit/these visits)?

YES 1
NO .... 2 (BOX 2)

C7f. From what other sources has the practice received payment for (this visit/these visits) and how much was paid by each source?

[IF NAME OF INSURER OR HMO, PROBE: And is that Medicare, Medicaid, or private insurance?]

Source	Amount
a. Patient or patient's family	$__________.____
b. Medicare	$__________.____
c. Medicaid	$__________.____
d. Private Insurance	$__________.____
e. VA	$__________.____
f. TRICARE/CHAMPVA/CHAMPUS	$__________.____
g. WORKER'S COMP	$__________.____
h. OTHER (SPECIFY): ____________________	$__________.____

BOX 2

GLOBAL FEE SITUATION (B2a=YES)	**1**	**(B8)**
RECORDED 5 OR FEWER EVENTS	**2**	**(B8)**
RECORDED 6 OR MORE EVENTS	**3**	**(B6a)**

REPEATING IDENTICAL VISITS

B6a. Were there any other visits for this patient during 2005 for which the services and charges were identical to the services and charges for the visit on (DATE OF THIS EVENT)?

YES.. 1
NO 2 (B8)

[EXPLAIN, IF NECESSARY: *We are referring here to* ***repeating identical visits****. These usually occur when the patient has a condition that requires very frequent visits, such as once- or twice-a-week physical or mental health therapy, or weekly or monthly allergy shots.*]

B6b. During 2005 how many other visits were there for which the services and charges were identical to those on (DATE OF THIS EVENT)?

OF VISITS_____________

B6c. Please tell me the dates of those other visits. [IF THERE WERE MORE THAN 30 IDENTICAL VISITS, USE A CONTINUATION SHEET.]

MO/DAY/YR	MO/DAY/YR	MO/DAY/YR
___/___ 20__	___/___ 20 __	___/___ 20 __
___/___ 20__	___/___ 20 __	___/___ 20 __
___/___ 20__	___/___ 20 __	___/___ 20 __
___/___ 20__	___/___ 20 __	___/___ 20 __
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___/___ 20__	___/___ 20 __	___/___ 20 __
___/___ 20__	___/___ 20 __	___/___ 20 __

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B8. Have we covered all of this patient's visits during the calendar year 2005?

YES, ALL EVENTS COVERED 1 (B9A)
NO, NEED TO COVER ADDITIONAL EVENTS .... 2 (B1-NEXT EVENT FORM)

B9a. IF ALL EVENTS ARE RECORDED FOR THIS PATIENT, REVIEW NUMBER OF EVENTS REPORTED BY HOUSEHOLD.

NO DIFFERENCE OR PROVIDER REPORTED MORE EVENTS THAN HOUSEHOLD 1 (B9b)

PROVIDER REPORTED FEWER EVENTS.. 2
[PROBE: (PATIENT NAME) reported (NUMBER) visits to (PROVIDER) during 2005, but I have only recorded (NUMBER) visits. Do you have any information in your records that would explain this discrepancy?]

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B9b. GO TO NEXT PATIENT FOR THIS PROVIDER.

B9c. IF NO MORE PATIENTS, THANK THE RESPONDENT AND END THE CALL.