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Address Change **FOR MEDICARE/NHIC**

Please note that Medicare/NHIC has changed to a new address for mail-in paper claims for Medicare and Medi-Medi patients.

To ensure that your HCFA 1500 forms reach the correct Medicare/NHIC destination, please update your Avanta system by navigating from the home screen to [C] Special Functions [2] Authorized Function §2] Practice Defaults and [5] Insurance Billing(pages 10 & 11). Medicare/NHIC's new address is as follows:

> NHIC/Medicare Claims P.O. Box 272852 Chico, CA 95927-2852

Please note that Avanta continues to offer electronic billing for Medicare and Medi-Medi patients. If you have questions about Medicare/NHIC's change of address for mailin paper claims, please contact Avanta.

UPDATE

AUTOMATIC MEDICARE EOB POSTING PROGRAM

Medicare/NHIC continues to include errors in their electronic EOBs, which may cause difficulty in using the Automatic Medicare Posting Program.

In response, Avanta continues to work toward a solution to help both our clients who are using the Automatic Medicare Posting Program in spite of the difficulties caused by Medicare/ NHIC, and our clients who are eager to benefit from this program once this issue is resolved.

Avanta has written to Medicare/NHIC and HCFA management in order to hold Medicare/ NHIC accountable for resolving this issue. We appreciate your patience and support while we press Medicare, NHIC, and HCFA to create a speedy solution.

Ready for DSL?

If you currently use a slow dial-up connection for Internet access and want to jump ahead with high-speed DSL, or if you are not yet connected to the Internet and think it is finally time to get "online," please call Avanta.

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