

## **Final Comments**

### **L34679 Psychiatric Inpatient Hospitalization**

**Comments:** We received one comment questioning if the 190 day lifetime limit still applies to inpatient psychiatric care as stated in our LCD.

**Response:** Yes, Medicare beneficiaries have a lifetime limit of 190 days of inpatient psychiatric hospital care. This information can be verified at **Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (SSA):** Section 1812(b)(3) Lifetime limit of 190 days for inpatient psychiatric benefit days and the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 4, Section 50.