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c. Based on the Federal Registrar document number 72 FR 11127, Medicare and Medicaid RAC contingency fees were increased on February 24, 2012 to a contingency fee of 17.5 percent for overpayments recovered from Durable Medical Equipment claims.

Hawaii requests that it be granted approval to utilize a contingency fee up to, but not exceed 17.5 percent for all identified overpayment or underpayments for all claims types reviewed during the contract period.

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