

<b>CMS Manual System</b>	<b>Department of Health &amp; Human Services (DHHS)</b>
<b>Pub 100-20 One-Time Notification</b>	<b>Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)</b>
<b>Transmittal 11248</b>	<b>Date: February 4, 2022</b>
	<b>Change Request 12596</b>

**SUBJECT: Nursing and Allied Health Medicare Advantage Payment - Revision to CY 2018**

**I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:** Change Request 11642 (Transmittal 10315, originally issued August 21, 2020 as updated most recently by Transmittal 10520, issued December 14, 2020) provided instructions to Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for computing calendar year (CY) 2002 through 2018 nursing and allied health education Medicare Advantage (N&AH MA) payments to qualifying hospitals, along with the applicable CY percent reduction to be made to a teaching hospital's direct graduate medical education (GME) MA payment. Change Request 11642 included Attachment A, which contained the applicable N&AH factors and direct GME MA percent reductions for CYs 2002 through 2018. The purpose of this Change Request is to correct the CY 2018 percent reduction to direct GME MA payments.

**EFFECTIVE DATE: March 7, 2022**

*\*Unless otherwise specified, the effective date is the date of service.*

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE: August 8, 2022**

*Disclaimer for manual changes only: The revision date and transmittal number apply only to red italicized material. Any other material was previously published and remains unchanged. However, if this revision contains a table of contents, you will receive the new/revised information only, and not the entire table of contents.*

**II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS:** (N/A if manual is not updated)

R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-Only One Per Row.

<b>R/N/D</b>	<b>CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE</b>
N/A	N/A

**III. FUNDING:**

**For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):**

The Medicare Administrative Contractor is hereby advised that this constitutes technical direction as defined in your contract. CMS does not construe this as a change to the MAC Statement of Work. The contractor is not obligated to incur costs in excess of the amounts allotted in your contract unless and until specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer. If the contractor considers anything provided, as described above, to be outside the current scope of work, the contractor shall withhold performance on the part(s) in question and immediately notify the Contracting Officer, in writing or by e-mail, and request formal directions regarding continued performance requirements.

**IV. ATTACHMENTS:**

**One Time Notification**



Number	Requirement	Responsibility								Other
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	Shared-System Maintainers				
		A	B	H H H		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
	teaching hospitals' cost reports that overlap with CY 2018.									
12596.2	For cost reports of teaching hospitals that were already NPR'd with the 7.00 percent direct GME MA reduction for CY 2018, A/B MACs Part A shall reopen those cost reports, and revise each teaching hospital's direct GME MA percent reduction for CY 2018 using the 4.12 percent reduction (on CMS-2552-10, line 30 of Worksheet E-4).	X								
12596.2.1	A/B MACs Part A shall complete revisions to the teaching hospitals' cost reports that overlap CY 2018 and issue revised NPRs within 6 months from issuance of this CR [ <i>INSERT DATE THAT IS 6 MONTHS FROM ISSUANCE</i> ].	X								
12596.3	For cost reports of teaching hospitals that overlap with CY 2018 that A/B MACs Part A have not yet NPR'd, A/B MACs Part A shall proceed with settling those cost reports using the 4.12 percent reduction for CY 2018, by the end of March 2022, which is within 18 months of the September 21, 2020 effective date of CR 11642.	X								
12596.4	The issuing of the reopening is subject to the MACs normal reopening dollar thresholds.	X								

### III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	C E D I
		A	B	H H H		
12596.5	Medicare Learning Network® (MLN): CMS will market provider education content through the MLN Connects® newsletter shortly after CMS releases the CR. MACs shall follow IOM Pub. No. 100-09 Chapter 6, Section 50.2.4.1	X				

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D	C
		A	B	H H H	M A C	E D I
	instructions for distributing the MLN Connects newsletter information to providers and link to relevant information on your website. You may supplement MLN content with your local information after we release the MLN Connects newsletter. Subscribe to the “MLN Connects” listserv to get MLN content notifications. You don’t need to separately track and report MLN content releases when you distribute MLN Connects newsletter content per the manual section referenced above.					

**IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

**Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements: N/A**

*"Should" denotes a recommendation.*

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

**Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A**

**V. CONTACTS**

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**Post-Implementation Contact(s):** Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

**VI. FUNDING**

**Section A: For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):**

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**ATTACHMENTS: 1**

**ATTACHMENT A – REVISION ONLY TO CY 2018 PERCENT REDUCTION TO MA DGME PAYMENTS**

	<b>MA N&amp;AH POOL</b>	<b>FFS N&amp;AH PAYMENTS</b>	<b>FFS INPATIENT DAYS</b>	<b>MA INPATIENT DAYS</b>	<b>(FFS N&amp;AH/FFS INPT DAYS) X MA INPT DAYS</b>	<b>REVISED PERCENT REDUCTION TO MA DGME PAYMENTS</b>
<b>CY 2018</b>	\$60,000,000	\$267,714,849	61,066,487	7,888,809	\$34,584,457	4.12%