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Transmittal 1901	Date: August 11, 2017
	Change Request 10215

SUBJECT: Automating the HCPCS Load Process

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This Change Request (CR) implements updates to the quarterly Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) load process and the further application of wild card options to off quarter revisions to the HCPCS file.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2018

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

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2, 2018

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II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated) R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-*Only One Per Row*.

R/N/D	CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE
N/A	N/A

III. FUNDING:

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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

One Time Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: Prior to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) implementing the Part B drug file expansion, the CMS Average Sales Price (ASP) drug file format contained a single entry for each drug on the file. With the implementation of CR 9501, the CMS ASP drug file was updated to include 20 entries for a single drug – one for each of the 20 Part B drug pricing indicators. With CR 9711, the CMS ASP file format was updated to include 3 modifier entries (and an entry with a blank modifier) for each of the 20 pricing indicators. This totals to 80 entries per drug on the CMS ASP file (20 indicators X 4 modifier fields). The Part A Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) have been manually updating each pricing indicator creating a labor intensive process for each time the ASP file is received due to Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) load process logic errors.

The Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) process that the Virtual Data Centers (VDC's) use to apply these CMS ASP files to the Part A MACs internal files has pre-defined parameters, with one set of parameters for hemophilia drugs and another for all other drugs. If these parameters do not meet the FISS processing or CMS's guidelines or instructions, the Part A MACs must make manual updates to the drug records. As indicated above, there are now 80 updates rather than just one.

This enhancement to the HCPCS load process will increase efficiency, decrease cost and improve customer satisfaction.

B. Policy: No policy changes are being made with this CR.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement, and "should" denotes an optional requirement.

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
			A/B	}	D		Sha	red-		Other
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10215.1	Referencing User CR J60048, FISS shall develop a	X				X				
	wildcard option to update (i.e., update, modify, delete,									
	and terminate) all existing HCPC records when the									
	user enters a wildcard value of asterisks in the MOD									
	and IND fields on the HCPC Batch Update screen.									
	The wildcard option shall be applied in a similar									
	manner as the wild card option in the HCPC update									
	(i.e., update, modify, delete, and terminate) for the									

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	carrier locality.					b				
10215.2	Contractors shall utilize position 119 of the drug file	X				X				
10210.2	to indicate special HCPCS load processing as follows:									
	1 = HEMO									
	2 = PP PPV, FLU									
	3 = Radiopharmaceutical									
	4 = EPO									
	5 = HEP B									
	When position 119 is a 1, Contractors shall load the HCPCS with the PRI Indicator field = F, the OVR field = 0, and the allowable revenue codes field = 0636;									
	When position 119 is a 2, Contractors shall load the HCPCS with the PRI Indicator field = S, the OVR field = 3, the ESRD Pricing Indicator field = V, the ESRD OVR field = 3, and the allowable revenue code field = 0636;									
	When position 119 is a 3, Contractors shall load the HCPCS with the PRI Indicator field = A, the OVR field = 0, and the allowable revenue codes field = 0636, 0343, and 0344;									
	When position 119 is a 4, Contractors shall load the HCPCS with the PRI Indicator field = A, the OVR field = 0, the ESRD Pricing Indicator field = C, the ESRD OVR field = 0, and the allowable revenue codes field = 0634, 0635.									
	When position 119 is a 5, Contractors shall load the HCPCS with the PRI Indicator field = A, the OVR field = 3, the ESRD Pricing Indicator field = E, the ESRD OVR field = 3, and the allowable revenue code field = 0636;									

Number	Requirement	Re	spoi	nsib	ility	
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				Н	Α	
					C	
	None					

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements:

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref	Recommendations or other supporting information:
Requirement	
Number	

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).

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