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	Change Request 10394

SUBJECT: Enhancement to the Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) Mass Adjustment Input File

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: As prescribed by Change Request 7603, the file-based RAC mass adjustment/reporting process in the ViPS Medicare System (VMS) does not reflect whether the RAC adjustment was conducted on an automated or complex basis in the Adjust-Reason-CD field. Inclusion of this information will facilitate more efficient processing of redeterminations and reopenings.

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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: July 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:

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

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: As prescribed by Change Request 7603, the file-based RAC mass adjustment/reporting process in the ViPS Medicare System (VMS) does not reflect whether the RAC adjustment was conducted on an automated or complex basis in the Adjust-Reason-CD field. Inclusion of this information will facilitate more efficient processing of redeterminations and reopenings.

B. Policy: The nationwide Recovery Audit program was mandated under Division B, Title III, Section 302 of the Tax Relief and Healthcare Act of 2006.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility										
			A/B MAC		· ·							Other
		A	В	H H H	M A C	F I	M C S	V	С			
10394.1	The shared system shall update the five values already present and add three additional values to the Adjust-Reason-CD field on the RAC Mass Adjustment Input File. NOTE: The current values on the Adjust-Reason-CD field are: 01 – Incorrect Coding 02 – Insufficient Documentation 03 – Lack of Documentation 04 – Medically Unnecessary 05 – Not Covered/Not Allowed/Other							X				
10394.1.1	The shared system shall ensure that the values on the Adjust-Reason-CD field read as follows after the							X				

Number	Requirement	Responsibility									
		A/B MAC		MAC M					Sha Systaint	tem	Other
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	additions: 1. 01 – Incorrect Coding Automated 2. 02 – Medically unnecessary Automated 3. 03 – Not Covered/Not allowed/ Other Automated 4. 04 – Incorrect Coding Complex 5. 05 – Insufficient Documentation Complex 6. 06 – Lack of Documentation Complex 7. 07 – Medically unnecessary Complex 8. 08 – Not Covered/Not allowed/ Other Complex										
10394.2	The shared system shall update the VMAP/4C/AUTOADJ screen with new codes 01-08.							X			
10394.2.1	The shared system shall add three more options to the Reason Code Field on the AUTOADJ screen.							X			
10394.3	The MACs shall be responsible for updating Reason code associated to each 01-08 Adjust-Reason-CD.				X						
10394.4	The MACs shall be responsible for running test files for the updated Reason codes.				X						
10394.5	The Recovery Audit Contractors shall be aware of the changes to the Adjust-Reason-CD values as seen in business requirement 10394.1.1.									RACs	

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Re	spo	nsib	ility	
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		I	MAC	\mathbb{C}	M	Е
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		Α	В	Н		I
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				Н	Α	
					C	
	None					

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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

"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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