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Transmittal 957	Date: August 31, 2011
	Change Request 6725

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SUBJECT: Request for Common Working File (CWF) System to Support the Automated Edit Project Field Test

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: Request for a single CWF host to support the Automated Edit Field Test by sending certain files to Automated Edit Support Contractor.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2012

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 3, 2012

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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	

III. FUNDING:

For Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs) and/or Carriers: Not Applicable.

For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs): Not Applicable.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

One-Time Notification

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

Attachment – One-Time Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background:

Over the years, CMS has entered into agreements with several private sector entities to test the efficacy of private sector edits when applied to Medicare claims. To date, CMS has been unable to identify any tools that can proactively identify and prevent the payment of improper claims. However, technology has advanced since the last time CMS conducted such an evaluation.

The Automated Edit project will enable CMS to accurately assess the effectiveness of several entities in applying their analytic tools in a controlled claims bed environment and determine whether any of those entities and/or tools would result in added value to the Medicare FFS program.

B. Policy:

A single CWF host will support the Automated Edit Field Test by sending certain files to Automated Edit Support Contractors beginning January 3, 2012.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

Use "Shall" to denote a mandatory requirement

Number	Requirement		Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)								
		A	D	F	С	R		Sha			ОТН
		B	M E	1	A R			Syst			ER
		M A C	M A C		R I E R	1	F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
6725.1	CMS and the HP EDC Host shall choose one CWF host that processes a large claims volume as the site for the Automated Edit Field Test. The chosen CWF host										HP EDC

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		A / B	D M E	F I	I A R			Sha Sys aint	tem		OTH ER	
		M A C	M A C		R I E R	I E	I	F I S S	M C S		C W F	
	shall be referred to as the "CWF Field Test Host" throughout this document.											
6725.2	Beginning on the first day of the Field Test, the CWF Field Test Host shall send all NCH claim files (also known as HCFA daily claim file) to the Automated Edit Support Contractor and demonstration participants on a nightly basis. The HCFA Claim file contains approved, adjustments and cancels. The HCFA claim file from CWF will be transmitted "as is" to the vendors. All communication will be via Connect: Direct over MDCN/MPLS lines.										HP EDC	
6725.3	Beginning on the first day of the Field Test, the CWF Field Test Host shall receive 'answer files' from demonstration participants. The 'answer file' will not impact the current CWF production processing. The "Answer File" File will be received by the EDC HP and NDM'd to the Automated Edit Support Contractor for further review. All communication will be via Connect: Direct over MDCN/MPLS lines.										HP EDC	
6725.4	Beginning on the first day after the conclusion of the Field Test, the CWF Field Test Host shall cease sending and receiving all files from NCH and demonstration participants to the Automated Edit Support Contractor.										HP EDC	

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement		Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)								
		Α	D	F	С	R		Sha	red-		OTH
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		A	A				S				
		C	C								

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)									
		Α	D	F	C	R		Sha	red-		OTH
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					R	I			1		
		M A C	M A C		I E R		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
	None.										

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: For any recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements, use the box below: N/A

Use "Should" to denote a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

Section B: For all other recommendations and supporting information, use this space: N/A

V. CONTACTS

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Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) or Contractor Manager, as applicable.

VI. FUNDING

Section A: For *Fiscal Intermediaries* (*FIs*) *and Carriers*: No additional funding will be provided by CMS; Contractor activities are to be carried out within their operating budgets.

Section A: For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs): Not Applicable