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### *Institutional Value Code Changes*

#### Key Words

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#### Provider Types Affected

Providers who bill Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs), or Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs) for Medicare services

#### Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is July 1, 2007.
- The implementation date is July 2, 2007.
- The National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC) has restricted the use of value codes A1, A2, A7, B1, B2, B7, C1, C2, and C7 to paper claims only.
- These value codes are no longer available for use on X12N 837 institutional claim transactions.
- The provider's Medicare FI, RHHI, or A/B MAC will create edits to restrict the use of these value codes to paper claims and will not allow their use on direct data entry claims.
- Medicare will ensure that any paper claim data from value codes A1, A2, A7, B1, B2, B7, C1, C2, or C7 are migrated to the appropriate X12N 837 2320 Claim Level Adjustment (CAS) segment (claim adjustment reason code "PR") for coordination of benefits files.

**Note:** Change Request (CR) 5411 does **not** state that **adjustments** that might previously be reported on an electronic claim, using the value codes A1, A2, A7, B1, B2, B7, C1, C2, or C7, must now all be reported in the claim level CAS. Requirements in the 837-I Implementation Guide that apply to reporting of adjustments in either the claim or the service level CASs apply when submitting initial electronic claims that involve such adjustments.

## Important Links

The related MLN Matters article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM5411.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (CR5411) regarding this change may be viewed at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R261OTN.pdf> on the CMS website.

If providers have any questions, they may contact their FI, RHHI, or A/B MAC at their toll-free number, which may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.