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Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) Software

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Provider Types Affected

Providers billing Medicare Carriers and/or Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs)

Background

In an effort to advance toward an electronic environment, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) developed software called Medicare Remit Easy Print (MREP) that enables physicians and suppliers to view and locally print a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) compliant 835.

Key Points

- Effective October 11, 2005 providers have access to MREP, including a User Guide through their Carrier or DMERC's website.
- MREP software is available to physicians and suppliers free of charge.
- Physicians and suppliers must have access to HIPAA compliant 835s to use MREP software. If providers or suppliers cannot access the 835, the contractor should refer them to the appropriate area to set up access.
- Physicians and suppliers should contact their Medicare Carrier or DMERC for technical support with MREP software.
- MREP software will be updated at least three times a year to accommodate Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC) and Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC) changes. New versions will typically be available in April, August, and December.

- Physicians and suppliers can sign up to be notified automatically, via their Carrier or DMERC's website, when a new version of MREP is available.
- Physicians and suppliers should download the most current version of MREP as soon as new versions are available.
- MREP software allows physicians and suppliers to:
 - Print and export reports about Electronic Remittance Advices (ERAs) including Denied, Adjusted and Deductible service line reports;
 - Print remittance information for individuals or multiple selected claims, which allows physicians/suppliers to forward only those claims that are needed by other payers for secondary/tertiary payment; and
 - Find a claim based on customized search criteria including health insurance claim number, procedure code, rendering provider number.
- MREP software provides separate tabs, including:
 - Details for individually selected claims;
 - Summary information; and
 - Glossary information containing Claim Adjustment Reason Codes, Remittance Advice Remark Codes, and their definitions.

Important Links

Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Helpline numbers can be found at:

www.cms.hhs.gov/providers/edi.

Medicare Learning Network (MLN) Web Page

www.cms.hhs.gov/medlearn