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### *Claims Status Code/Claims Status Category Code Update*

#### Key Words

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#### Provider Types Affected

All providers submitting Health Care Claim Status Transactions to Medicare Carriers, including Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs), and Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs)

#### Key Points

- The effective date of the instruction is July 1, 2005.
- The implementation date is July 5, 2005.
- Effective July 1, 2005, the Medicare claims processing system will update its lists of Health Care Claims Status Codes and Health Care Claims Status Category Codes with all applicable code changes posted online with the "new as of 10/04" and prior date designations.
- Claim Status Category Codes and Claim Status Codes are used in the Health Care Claim Status Response (277) transaction as follows:
  - Claim Status Category Codes indicate the general payment status of the claim.
  - Claim Status Codes provide more detail about the status communicated in the general Claim Status Category Codes.
- Claim Status Category Codes and Claim Status Codes are available on line at: <http://www.wpc-edi.com/codes/Codes.asp>

#### Important Links

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM3715.pdf>

The official instruction issued regarding this change can be found at:  
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/transmittals/downloads/R490CP.pdf> on the CMS website.