



Claim Status Category Code and Claim Status Code Update – JA6609

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- Contractors Affected**
- Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs)
 - Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs)
 - Medicare Carriers
 - Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs)
 - Durable Medical Equipment MACs (DME MACs)

Provider Types Affected All physicians, providers and suppliers submitting claims to Medicare Carriers, FIs, RHHIs, A/B MACs, and DME MACs for Medicare beneficiaries are affected.



- Change Request (CR) 6609 explains that the Claim Status Codes and Claim Status Category Codes for use by Medicare contractors with the Health Claim Status Request and Response Accredited Standards Committee X12N 276/277 were updated during the June 2009 meeting of the national Code Maintenance Committee.
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Provider Needs to Know...

- Code changes approved at that meeting were posted at <http://www.wpc-edi.com/content/view/180/223/> on the Internet on or about June 30, 2009.
 - These codes explain the status of submitted claim(s). Proprietary codes may not be used in the X12 276/277 to report claim status.
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Background

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act requires all health care benefit payers to use only Claim Status Category Codes and Claim Status Codes approved by the national Code Maintenance Committee in the X12 276/277 Health Care Claim Status Request and Response format adopted as the standard for national use (004010X093A1).

**Operational
Impact**

N/A

**Reference
Materials**

The related MLN Matters® article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM6609.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (CR6609) issued regarding this change may be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R1797CP.pdf> on the CMS website.
