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- **“837P and Form CMS-1500”** Web-Based Training (WBT) has been revised and is now available.

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Implement Operating Rules - Phase III ERA EFT: CORE 360 Uniform Use of Claim Adjustment Reason Codes (CARC) and Remittance Advice Remark Codes (RARC) Rule - Update from CAQH CORE

Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters® Article is intended for physicians, providers, and suppliers submitting claims to Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries.

What You Need to Know

Change Request (CR) 9270 instructs MACs to update systems based on the CORE 360 Uniform Use of CARC and RARC Rule publication. These system updates are based on the CORE Code Combination List to be published on or about October 1, 2015.

Background

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) adopted the Phase III Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare (CAQH) Committee on Operating Rules for Information Exchange (CORE) Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) and Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA) Operating Rule Set, required by January 1, 2014, by the Affordable Care Act.

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CR9270 deals with the regular update in CAQH CORE defined code combinations per Operating Rule 360 - Uniform Use of Claim Adjustment Reason Codes and Remittance Advice Remark Codes (835) Rule.

CAQH CORE will publish the next version of the Code Combination List on or about October 1, 2015. This update is based on July 1, 2015 Claim Adjustment Reason Code (CARC) and Remittance Advice Remark Code (RARC) updates as posted at the Washington Publishing Company (WPC) website. (Visit <http://www.wpc-edi.com/reference> for CARC and RARC updates and <http://www.cagh.org/CORECodeCombinations.php> for CAQH CORE defined code combination updates.)

Additional Information

The official instruction, CR9270 issued to your MAC regarding this change is available at <http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/Downloads/R3335CP.pdf> on the CMS website.

If you have any questions, please contact your MAC at their toll-free number. That number is available at <http://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/index.html> under - How Does It Work.

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