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Implementation of the Award for Jurisdiction B Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) Workload

Note: The article was revised on March 17, 2016, to change the implementation date and modify language regarding submission of certain claims in paragraph 2 of the Background section.

Provider Types Affected

This MLN Matters® Article is intended for DME suppliers submitting claims to Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for supplies and services provided to Medicare beneficiaries residing in Jurisdiction B (JB), which includes the states of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

What You Need to Know

Change Request (CR) 9526 announces the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) awarded CGS Administrators, LLC (CGS) a new contract for the administration of Medicare Fee-for-Service claims for Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) in Jurisdiction B. The incumbent is National Government Services (NGS). Make sure that your billing staffs are aware of this change.

Background

On September 3, 2015, CMS awarded CGS, a new contract for the administration of Medicare Fee-for-Service claims for DMEPOS in Jurisdiction B. CGS is based at Two Vantage Way, Nashville, Tennessee TN 37228. NGS is the incumbent contractor located at

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Medicare DMEPOS suppliers serving Jurisdiction B beneficiaries should continue to submit their paper claims to NGS until CMS completes the transition of Jurisdiction B (JB) operations to CGS. Electronic claims should continue to be submitted to the Common Electronic Data Interchange (CEDI) both prior to and post transition.

CMS has determined that the JB workload currently processed by NGS will require a new workload number when transitioned. The JB DME MAC workload number 17013 will be effective on the implementation date of CR9526.

All relevant Medicare systems will be modified to the new JB DME workload number 17013 as of the implementation date of CR9526. Upon the release of CR9526, NGS will prepare an article explaining the DME MAC workload number changes they currently process and NGS will post this article, or a direct link to this article, on its website and include information about it in a listserv message as soon as possible but no later than 30 days prior to the effective date of applicable workload transition.

Additional Information

The official instruction, CR9526, issued to your MAC regarding this change, is available at <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/Downloads/R1636OTN.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> on the CMS website under - How Does It Work.

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