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SUBJECT: New Physician Specialty Code for Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology, Medical Toxicology, and Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has established new physician specialty codes for Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology (C7), Medical Toxicology (C8) and Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy (C9).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2017

**Unless otherwise specified, the effective date is the date of service.*

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 2, 2017

Disclaimer for manual changes only: The revision date and transmittal number apply only to red italicized material. Any other material was previously published and remains unchanged. However, if this revision contains a table of contents, you will receive the new/revised information only, and not the entire table of contents.

II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated)

R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED-Only One Per Row.

| R/N/D | CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE |
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| R | 26/10.8.2/Physician Specialty Codes |

III. FUNDING:

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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

**Business Requirements
Manual Instruction**

| Number | Requirement | Responsibility | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|--|----------------|---|-------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| | | A/B MAC | | H H H | D M E M A C | Shared- System Maintainers | | | | Other | |
| | | A | B | | | F I S S | M C S | V M S | C W F | | |
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| 9957 - 04.3 | <p>PECOS shall populate the following extracts with the new physician specialties: Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology (C7), Medical Toxicology (C8) and Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy (C9):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordering/Referring Critical Access Hospital (CAH) Method II Attending and Rendering Verification of the attending, operating, or other physician or non-physician practitioner listed on a CAH claim is eligible and is enrolled in PECOS Line level referring NPI fields | | | | | | | | | | PECOS |
| 9957 - 04.4 | <p>Contractors shall recognize Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology (C7), Medical Toxicology (C8) and Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy (C9) as valid specialty types for the following edits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordering/Referring CAH Method II Attending and Rendering Attending, operating, or other physician or non-physician practitioner listed on a CAH claim | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | | |
| 9957 - 04.4.1 | <p>Contractors shall recognize Sports Medicine (23) as a valid specialty type for the following edits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ordering/Referring CAH Method II Attending and Rendering | X | X | X | X | X | | | | | |

| Number | Requirement | Responsibility | | | | | | | | | | Other | |
|-------------|--|----------------|---|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|---|---|---|------------------|-------------|-------|--------|
| | | A/B MAC | | | D M E | Shared- System Maintainers | | | | M I S S | V M W | | C F |
| | | A | B | H H H | | F | M | V | C | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attending, operating, or other physician or non-physician practitioner listed on a CAH claim | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9957 - 04.5 | Contractors shall recognize Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology (C7), Medical Toxicology (C8) and Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy (C9) as valid specialty types for outpatient bill types. | | | | | X | | | | | | | |
| 9957 - 04.6 | Contractors shall accept CMS-855I and CMS-855O submissions with the Undefined Physician Type option selected, specifying Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology (C7), Medical Toxicology (C8) or Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy (C9) until the forms can be updated with the new specialties. | | X | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9957 - 04.7 | Contractors shall create a new online PARM to maintain a list of valid Home Health physician specialty codes. | | | | | X | | | | | | | |
| 9957 - 04.8 | <p>Contractors shall load the PARM with the current list of valid home health specialty codes as well as any additional specialty codes included in this CR. (FISS should be marked as the responsible party).</p> <p>The current list of Home Health specialty codes within FISS are:</p> <p>'01' '02' '03' '04' '05' '06' '07' '08' '09' '10' '11' '12' '13' '14' '16' '17' '18' '20' '21' '22' '24' '25' '26' '27' '28' '29' '30' '33' '34' '36' '37' '38' '39' '40' '44' '46' '48' '66' '72' '76' '77' '78' '79' '81' '82' '83' '84' '85' '86' '90' '91' '92' '93' '94' '98' 'C0' 'C3' 'C6'</p> <p>The new codes to be added for this CR are:</p> <p>'C7' 'C8' 'C9' '23'</p> | | | | | X | | | | | | | |
| 9957 - 04.9 | Contractors shall include the new online PARM with the implementation of this CR. This will be a one-time send. | | | | | X | | | | | | | |

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| | | A/B MAC | | D M E | Shared- System Maintainers | | | | Other | | | | |
| | | A | B | | H H H | M A C | F I S S | M C S | | V M S | C W F | | |
| 9957 - 04.10 | Contractor shall update its logic to use the new online PARM when assigning the following Home Health reason codes: 32072, 32092, 37236, 37237, 37247 and 37248. | | | | | | | | X | | | | |

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

| Number | Requirement | Responsibility | | | | | | |
|--------------|---|----------------|---|-------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|---|
| | | A/B MAC | | | D M E | C E D I | M A C | I |
| | | A | B | H H H | | | | |
| 9957 - 04.11 | MLN Article: A provider education article related to this instruction will be available at http://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNMattersArticles/ shortly after the CR is released. You will receive notification of the article release via the established "MLN Matters" listserv. Contractors shall post this article, or a direct link to this article, on their Web sites and include information about it in a listserv message within 5 business days after receipt of the notification from CMS announcing the availability of the article. In addition, the provider education article shall be included in the contractor's next regularly scheduled bulletin. Contractors are free to supplement MLN Matters articles with localized information that would benefit their provider community in billing and administering the Medicare program correctly. | X | X | X | | | | |

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements: N/A

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

| X-Ref Requirement Number | Recommendations or other supporting information: |
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Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

V. CONTACTS

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Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

VI. FUNDING

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10.8.2 - Physician Specialty Codes

(Rev.3762, Issued: 04/28/17, Effective: 10/01/17, Implementation: 10/02/17)

| Code | Physician Specialty |
|-------------|---|
| 01 | General Practice |
| 02 | General Surgery |
| 03 | Allergy/Immunology |
| 04 | Otolaryngology |
| 05 | Anesthesiology |
| 06 | Cardiology |
| 07 | Dermatology |
| 08 | Family Practice |
| 09 | Interventional Pain Management |
| 10 | Gastroenterology |
| 11 | Internal Medicine |
| 12 | Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine |
| 13 | Neurology |
| 14 | Neurosurgery |
| 16 | Obstetrics/Gynecology |
| 17 | Hospice and Palliative Care |
| 18 | Ophthalmology |
| 19 | Oral Surgery (dentists only) |
| 20 | Orthopedic Surgery |
| 21 | Cardiac Electrophysiology |
| 22 | Pathology |
| 23 | Sports Medicine |
| 24 | Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery |
| 25 | Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation |
| 26 | Psychiatry |
| 27 | Geriatric Psychiatry |
| 28 | Colorectal Surgery (formerly proctology) |
| 29 | Pulmonary Disease |
| 30 | Diagnostic Radiology |
| 33 | Thoracic Surgery |
| 34 | Urology |
| 35 | Chiropractic |
| 36 | Nuclear Medicine |
| 37 | Pediatric Medicine |
| 38 | Geriatric Medicine |
| 39 | Nephrology |
| 40 | Hand Surgery |
| 41 | Optometry |
| 44 | Infectious Disease |
| 46 | Endocrinology |
| 48 | Podiatry |
| 66 | Rheumatology |
| 70 | Single or Multispecialty Clinic or Group Practice |
| 72 | Pain Management |
| 76 | Peripheral Vascular Disease |
| 77 | Vascular Surgery |
| 78 | Cardiac Surgery |
| 79 | Addiction Medicine |
| 81 | Critical Care (Intensivists) |
| 82 | Hematology |
| 83 | Hematology/Oncology |

| Code | Physician Specialty |
|-------------|--|
| 84 | Preventive Medicine |
| 85 | Maxillofacial Surgery |
| 86 | Neuropsychiatry |
| 90 | Medical Oncology |
| 91 | Surgical Oncology |
| 92 | Radiation Oncology |
| 93 | Emergency Medicine |
| 94 | Interventional Radiology |
| 98 | Gynecological/Oncology |
| 99 | Unknown Physician Specialty |
| C0 | Sleep Medicine |
| C3 | Interventional Cardiology |
| C5 | Dentist |
| C6 | Hospitalist |
| <i>C7</i> | <i>Advanced Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology</i> |
| <i>C8</i> | <i>Medical Toxicology</i> |
| <i>C9</i> | <i>Hematopoietic Cell Transplantation and Cellular Therapy</i> |