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Transmittal 1609	Date: February 4, 2016
	Change Request 9454

SUBJECT: Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 Healthcare Claims Acknowledgement (277CA) Flat File Update

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to update the 277CA flat file to allow for larger monetary amounts to meet Medicare's needs.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2016

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

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: July 5, 2016

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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
N/A	N/A

III. FUNDING:

For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):

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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

One Time Notification

Attachment - One-Time Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: This Change Request (CR) updates the 277CA flat file to allow for larger monetary amounts to meet Medicare's needs. The 277CA amount fields are currently the same size as the size used for the input files.

B. Policy: N/A

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement, and "should" denotes an optional requirement.

Number	Requirement	Responsibility									
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	Shared- System Maintainers				Other	
		A	B	H		F	M	V	C		
				H H H		I S S	C S	M S	W F		
9454.1	Contractors shall implement the attached updated 277CA flat file spreadsheet layout. The changes are identified in the spreadsheet's Change Log tab.	X	X	X		X	X				

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	C E D I
		A	B	H		
				H H H		
9454.2	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	X	X	X		

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		A	B	H H H	M A C	
	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.					

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:
9454.2	Please note X12 Request For Interpretation (RFI) # 2031 at www.x12.org for additional information.

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).

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