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Transmittal 186, dated October 26, 2015, is being rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 187, dated December 10, for the following reason:

The National Coverage Determination (NCD) for Cardiac Pacemakers: Single Chamber and Dual Chamber Permanent Cardiac Pacemakers (NCD20.8.3) was effective on August 13, 2013, and remains in effect. In order to address claims processing issues that were brought to the attention of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, we have instructed Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) to implement this NCD at the local level until CMS is able to revise the formal claims processing instructions. All aspects of the NCD policy in Publication 100-03, NCD Manual, section 20.8.3, remain in effect. Additionally, we are temporarily removing the corresponding Claims Processing Manual, Publication 100-04, chapter 32, section 320, and all but two business requirements to avoid confusion and better clarify that the MACs will use their discretionary authority to process these claims.

SUBJECT: National Coverage Determination (NCD) for Single Chamber and Dual Chamber Permanent Cardiac Pacemakers - This CR rescinds and fully replaces CR 8525