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	Change Request 8534

SUBJECT: Emergency Update to the CY 2014 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB)

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: Payment files were issued to contractors based on the CY 2014 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Final Rule. This change request amends those payment files.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2014

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 6, 2014

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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):

The Medicare Administrative Contractor is hereby advised that this constitutes technical direction as defined in your contract. CMS does not construe this as a change to the MAC statement of Work. The contractor is not obliged to incur costs in excess of the amounts allotted in your contract unless and until specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer. If the contractor considers anything provided, as described above, to be outside the current scope of work, the contractor shall withhold performance on the part(s) in question and immediately notify the Contracting Officer, in writing or by e-mail, and request formal directions regarding continued performance requirements.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Business Requirements

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

Recurring Update Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: Payment files were issued to contractors based upon the CY 2014 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) Final Rule, displayed on November 27, 2013 (and published in the *Federal Register* December 10, 2013). This change request amends those payment files and accounts for the year-end Congressional legislation for a 0.5 percent update to the 2014 conversion factor and extends the non-budget neutral GPCI work floors, all effective for January 1, 2014 to March 31, 2014 (Pathway for SGR Reform Act of 2013, passed December 18, 2013). Contractors will be notified when the new MPFS payment files will be available. The new file names can be found within this CR.

B. Policy: Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Revisions and Updates

Contractors shall follow the instructions for retrieving the annual MPFS files as stated in Publication 100-04, Chapter 1, section 30.3.12.1.2.

All changes to Relative Value Units (RVUs) and payment indicators have been published in the CY 2014 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) Final Rule. All changes to policies concerning the CY 2014 HCPCS codes are discussed in this Final Rule and can be found online via the CMS website (PFS Federal Regulation Notices). A summary of all HCPCS RVUs and payment indicators can also be found via the CMS website (PFS Relative Value Files). The 2014 GPICs are found online via the CMS website (PFS Federal Regulation Notices).

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 H H		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F		
8534.1	Contractors shall retrieve the revised payment files, as identified in this CR, from the CMS Mainframe Telecommunications System. Contractors will be notified via email when these files are available for retrieval.	X	X	X							
8534.2	Notification of successful receipt shall be sent via email to price_file_receipt@cms.hhs.gov stating the name of the file received and the entity for which it was received (e.g., Medicare contractor name and number).	X	X	X							

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8534.3	Contractors shall begin to pay claims using these new files no later than January 16, 2014, unless otherwise directed by CMS.	X	X	X						
8534.4	Contractors shall disclose the new MPFS fees on their Web sites as soon as possible, but no later than January 3, 2014. In addition, contractors shall notify providers via their Web site that the new fees are effective January 1, 2014.	X	X	X						
8534.5	CMS will send CWF files to facilitate duplicate billing edits: 1) Duplicate Radiology editing and 2) Duplicate Diagnostic and Pathology editing. CWF shall install these files into their systems. CWF will be notified via email when these files have been sent to them.								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		
8534.6	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 one week of the availability of the provider education 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			

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:

I. Revised 2014 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Payment (MPFSDB) File Names for changes effective January 01, 2014 with the 0% CF update and non-budget neutral work floor extenders:

2014 Physician Fee Schedule Payment File: MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY14.RV1.C00000.V0101

2014 FI Abstract Files:

- MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY14.SNF.V0101.FI – SNF MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY14.ABSTR.V0101.FI
- Therapy Abstract MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY14.MAMMO.V0101.FI - Mammography
- MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY14.HHH.V0101.FI – HHH MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY14.PAYIND.V0101
- Payment Indicator

V. CONTACTS

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Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) or Contractor Manager, as applicable.

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