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Subject: J10 Part A and Part B Medicare Administrative Contractor (A/B MAC) Part B Tennessee and Idaho CICS UAT and Production Region Split and New Workload Numbers for the States of Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: Split of current Part B TN/ID CICS regions, reassignment of MAC workload numbers.

New / Revised Material

Effective Date: May 4, 2009

Implementation Date: May 4, 2009

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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	

III. FUNDING:

SECTION A: For Fiscal Intermediaries and Carriers:

Funding for implementation activities will be provided to contractors through the regular budget process.

SECTION B: 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 obligated 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:

One-Time Notification

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

Attachment – One-Time Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to notify all interested parties that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) needs to change the contractor workload numbers for the Part A and Part B workloads in the States of Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee when that workload is transitioned to the J10 A/B MAC. These changes need to be made because certain CMS applications need to individually identify each workload. These workloads will be transitioned to the J10 A/B MAC as indicated below.

<u>PART A</u>	<u>MAC Workload No.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Current Contractor No.</u>
Alabama	10101	5/18/2009	00010
Georgia	10201	5/04/2009	00101
Tennessee	10301	8/03/2009	00390

<u>PART B</u>	<u>MAC Workload No.</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Current Contractor No.</u>
Alabama	10102	5/04/2009	00510
Georgia	10202	8/01/2009	00511
Tennessee	10302	8/29/2009	05440

The Part B Tennessee workload is currently processed in the same CICS user acceptance testing (UAT) and production region as the Part B Idaho workload. While the Part B TN workload will be processed by the Jurisdiction 10 (J10) A/B MAC, the Part B Idaho workload will be processed by the J2 A/B MAC. Accordingly, these two workloads will need to be split into separate CICS UAT and production regions. It is CMS' intent to split this workload on August 29, 2009 and simultaneously transition both workloads to their appropriate MACs.

Please note that the effective date of all transitions will fall on Monday, with the exception of the Part B Georgia and Tennessee transitions which, due to the software being used to

create and populate those CICS production regions, will have effective dates that fall on a Saturday.

Cahaba Government Benefit Administrator, LLC, will be the Jurisdiction 10 A/B MAC. It currently processes the Alabama A and B, and Georgia B workloads, and it is located at the following address.

Cahaba GBA
300 Corporate Parkway
Birmingham, AL 35242

The Georgia Part A workloads is currently processed by:

BCBS Georgia – Medicare
PO Box 9048
2357 Warm Springs Road
Columbus, GA 31908

The Tennessee Part A workloads is currently processed by:

Riverbend
730 Chestnut Street
Chattanooga, TN 37402

The Tennessee Part B workload is currently processed by:

CGS Government Services
2 Vantage Way
Metro Center
Nashville, TN 37228

The following applications or entities will need to accommodate the new MAC workload numbers for both testing and production: BESS, CAFM, CERT, CMIS, the CMS BALTIMORE DC, COBA & COBC, CROWD, PIES, CSAMS, CWF, DCS, ECRS, FISS, HCIS, HIGLAS, IRIS, the Local Coverage Determination (LCD) Database, LOLA, NGD, the NPI crosswalk, QIES (formerly known as OSCAR), PECOS, PIMR, PORS, PS&R, the PSC, PSOR, PULSE, REMAS, REMIS, STAR, and the Expert Claims Processing System or ECPS (formerly known as SuperOps).

In the event any of these MAC transitions need to be delayed, the CMS will provide as much notice as possible to the above system owners, but no less than five business days prior to the planned effective date. The above listed systems will need to be able to accommodate such a delay to the start of the MAC transition.

Finally, the CMS is studying how best to transition to the applicable MACs the workload covered by contractor workload number 52280, which was formerly processed by Mutual of Omaha and is currently processed by Wisconsin Physicians Service (WPS). The CMS will notify all parties as soon as its instructions are final.

B. Policy: N/A

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

Use "Shall" to denote a mandatory requirement

Number	Requirement	A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I	C A R R I E R	R H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTHER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	CW F	
6436.1	The CDS EDC shall create the necessary CICS regions for both user acceptance testing (UAT) and production to accomplish the transition of the Part A and Part B Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee workloads.	X									CDS EDC, J10 A/B MAC
6436.1.1	The CDS EDC shall provide all of the support necessary to successfully transition the Part A and Part B Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee workloads to the J10 A/B MAC, including (but not limited to) production support, testing, and coordination.										CDS EDC
6436.1.2	The J10 A/B MAC shall provide project management, testing, and any other services necessary to support the transition of the Part A and Part B Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee workloads to the MAC environment. This shall include (but not be limited to) working with CGS, the FISS maintainer, the MCS maintainer, the CDS EDC, and all other entities as applicable to ensure the success of the MAC transitions.						X	X			J10 A/B MAC. CGS
6436.1.3	The CDS EDC, the J10 A/B MAC, CWF, FISS and the Medicare applications or entities listed in requirements 6436.4 through 6436.42 shall perform the modifications needed to accommodate the new MAC workload numbers of 10101 (Part A Alabama), 10201 (Part A Georgia), 10301 (Part A Tennessee).	X					X			X	CDS EDC, J10 A/B MAC all entities or applications listed under 6436.5 through 6436.42
6436.1.4	CWF, PECOS, and all entities listed in this CR shall associate all providers whose claims are currently processed under contractor workload number 00010 with MAC workload number 10101 (Part A Alabama) as of the effective date of that transition regardless of whether their BSI									X	PECOS, all entities listed in this CR.

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	corresponds to Alabama.										
6436.1.4.1	FISS, CWF, PECOS, and all entities listed in this CR shall associate all providers whose claims are currently processed under contractor workload number 00101 with MAC workload number 10201 (Part A Georgia) as of the effective date of that transition regardless of whether their BSI corresponds to Georgia.									X	PECOS, all entities listed in this CR.
6436.1.4.2	CWF, PECOS, and all entities listed in this CR shall associate all providers whose claims are currently processed under contractor workload number 00390 with MAC workload number 10301 (Part A Tennessee) as of the effective date of that transition regardless of whether their BSI corresponds to Tennessee.									X	PECOS, all entities listed in this CR.
6436.1.5	CWF, PECOS and all other entities listed in this CR shall associate all providers whose claims are currently processed under contractor workload number 00510 with MAC workload number 10102 (Part B Alabama) as of the effective date for that MAC transition.									X	PECOS, all entities listed in this CR.
6436.1.5.1	CWF, PECOS and all other entities listed in this CR shall associate all providers whose claims are currently processed under contractor workload number 00511 with MAC workload number 10202 (Part B Georgia) as of the effective date for that MAC transition.									X	PECOS, all entities listed in this CR.
6436.1.5.2	CWF, PECOS and all other entities listed in this CR shall associate all providers whose claims are currently processed under contractor workload number 05440 with MAC workload number 10302 (Part B Tennessee) as of the effective date for that MAC transition.									X	PECOS, all entities listed in this CR.
6436.1.6	FISS shall make any changes necessary to associate providers with their new MAC workload numbers as per BR 6436.1.4 through 6436.1.4.2.						X				
6436.1.7	MCS shall make any changes necessary to associate providers with their new MAC							X			

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	workload numbers as per BR 6436.1.5 through 6436.1.5.2.										
6436.1.8	CWF shall read the Contractor Number and BSI No. in history when applicable for the IUR (Informational Unsolicited Response) and reports process.										X
6436.1.8.1	If a provider's claims are currently being processed under contractor workload number 00010, CWF shall send the IURs for that provider to MAC workload number 10101 regardless of the provider's BSI.										X
6436.1.8.2	If a provider's claims are currently being processed under contractor workload number 00101, CWF shall send the IURs for that provider to MAC workload number 10201 regardless of the provider's BSI.										X
6436.1.8.3	If a provider's claims are currently being processed under contractor workload number 00390, CWF shall send the IURs for that provider to MAC workload number 10301 regardless of the provider's BSI.										X
6436.1.8.4	At least 2 weeks prior to the MAC transition of each workload or following an affirmative "GO" decision for that workload (whichever occurs later) the J10 A/B MAC shall request CMS to drop OSA processing during the transition period. The J10 A/B MAC shall use the language in BR 6436.1.8.4.1. The request shall be sent to Kathryn.Woytan@cms.hhs.gov.										J10 A/B MAC
6436.1.8.4.1	The following language shall be used by the J10 A/B MAC to request the dropping of OSA processing as per BR 6436.1.8.4. This Drop OSA request is associated with CMS CR <i>[insert CR number]</i> for J10 <i>[insert Part A or B and State or States]</i> transition for the dropping of CWF Out of Service Area (OSA) transactions. We are requesting authorization by CMS										J10 A/B MAC

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	<p>for the dropping of OSA transactions for the <u><i>[insert Outgoing Contractor Name, State, Contractor number and Part A or B]</i></u> workloads that are being transition to the J10 MAC The Drop Date should be Monday <u><i>[insert first day of the week prior to the transition weekend, including the month, the day, and the year]</i></u>.</p> <p>Cutover weekend for this workload is <u><i>[insert Month, Day - if multiple days list all]</i></u> and the first shared system batch cycle is scheduled for <u><i>[insert day of the first planned batch cycle following the transition including the day of the week, the month, the day and the year]</i></u>. Therefore, the OSA Restart Date should be <u><i>[insert Month, Day and Year]</i></u>.</p> <p>The last cycle at the outgoing contractor will be sent to the CWF Host on <u><i>[insert Month, Day and Year]</i></u>. This last file received will be returned to the outgoing contractor.</p> <p>The first cycle at the new contractor will be sent to the CWF Host on <u><i>[insert Month, Day and Year]</i></u>. The first file received will be returned to the new contractor.</p>										
6436.1.9	HIGLAS will not adopt the MAC numbering schema in all cases. HIGLAS will continue to use 00010 as the Organization and workload number for the Alabama A workload. All entities or applications listed in BR 6436.5 through 6436.42 shall use this configuration for any interface files transmitted to HIGLAS and shall be prepared to accept this configuration on any files received from HIGLAS.										HIGLAS, J10 A/B MAC all entities or applications listed under 6436.5 through 6436.42
6436.2	In addition to the creation of the Part B Tennessee (TN) CICS UAT and production regions as per BR 6436.1, the CDS EDC shall create separate CICS UAT and										CDS EDC

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	production regions to accommodate the Part B Idaho (ID) workload.										
6436.2.1	The Part B Idaho workload (contractor workload number 05130) shall be processed under MAC workload number 02202. The workload shall be transitioned to the J2 A/B MAC effective September 1, 2009. (This will also be covered in the J2 A/B MAC Renumbering Change Request.)							X			CDS EDC
6436.2.1.1	In the event CMS determines that it cannot transition the Part B Idaho workload to the J2 A/B MAC effective September 1, 2009, all of the shared system business owners referred to in this CR shall be notified of alternative arrangements. We expect this to occur no later than May 26, 2009.										CMS, CMM, MCMG
6436.2.2	The CDS EDC shall provide all of the support necessary to successfully split the current Part B TN and ID CICS regions into new separate CICS UAT and production regions for each workload, including (but not limited to) production support, testing, the running of split software supplied by the MCS maintainer, and coordination.										CDS EDC
6436.2.3	The Part B MCS maintainer shall provide the support necessary to accomplish the Part B TN/ID split, including software to perform the split.							X			
6436.2.4	The J10 A/B MAC shall provide project management, testing, and any other services necessary to support the Part B TN/ID split. This shall include (but not be limited to) working with CGS, the MCS maintainer, the CDS EDC, and all other entities as applicable to ensure the success of the Part B TN/ID split. The J10 A/B MAC, in consultation with CGS, shall be responsible for testing in the new separate Part B TN CICS regions.										J10 A/B MAC
6436.2.4.1	CGS shall work with the J2 A/B MAC, the MCS maintainer, the CDS EDC, and all other entities as necessary to ensure the success of the splitting of the current TN and ID workloads into separate CICS UAT and production regions. In the event the							X			CGS, J2 A/B MAC

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	new separate Part B ID CICS UAT and production regions are created using the current CGS reference files, CGS shall be responsible for testing in the new CICS regions. If at some point prior to the transition the new separate Part B ID CICS UAT and production regions are populated with the J2 A/B MAC's reference files, the J2 A/B MAC shall become primarily responsible for testing in the new Part B ID CICS regions.										
6436.2.5	FISS, MCS, CWF, the J10 A/B MAC, and the Medicare applications or entities listed in this CR shall be able to implement the new MAC workload numbers by the effective date listed in this CR for that workload for the purpose of ongoing production. In the event the transition needs to be delayed, these applications will need to be able to accommodate the delay within five business days of receiving notification from CMS.						X	X		X	J10 A/B MAC, all entities or applications listed in this CR.
6436.3	FISS, MCS, CWF, the J10 A/B MAC and the Medicare applications or entities listed in requirements 6436.4 through 6436.42 shall make required systems changes to cross refer claims processed using the existing contractor workload number to the new MAC workload numbers to facilitate the processing of adjustment claims and other situations which need to cross refer to the original claim.						X			X	J10 A/B MAC, all entities or applications listed in this CR.
6436.4	The contractors currently processing the workloads covered by BRs 6436.1.4 through 6436.1.5.2 shall be prepared to provide information about which providers are assigned to each workload number to any of the maintainers listed in these BRs. If any of the maintainers listed in these BRs require this information, it should contact the CMS J10 implementation lead Lori.Borelli@cms.hhs.gov .										Cahaba, BSBC Georgia, Riverbend, CGS
6436.5	The CWF ELGE module shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.									X	

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6436.6	FISS, MCS and CWF shall make system changes (if any are required) so that any claim or adjustment associated with the previous contractor workload number can continue to be processed (when appropriate) following the effective date of the MAC transition.						X	X		X	
6436.7	Where practical, CWF, MCS and the entities or Medicare applications listed in this CR shall be able to implement the new MAC workload numbers 8 weeks prior to the effective date of the CR for the purpose of testing with the Medicare contractor.							X		X	All entities or applications listed in this CR.
6436.8	CAFM shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										CAFM
6436.9	CERT shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										CERT
6436.9.1	CGS shall furnish the CERT Review Contractor (blessingd@admedcorp.com) with an electronic list of the provider numbers to be transitioned to the new stand alone Part B TN production region.										CGS
6436.9.1.1	CGS shall furnish the CERT Review Contractor (blessingd@admedcorp.com) with an electronic list of the provider numbers to be transitioned to the new stand alone Part B ID production region.										CGS
6436.9.2	The CERT Review Contractor in consultation with the CMS CERT business owner shall take whatever actions it deems appropriate to associate the claims of providers assigned to the new MAC workload numbers with the previous Medicare contractor workload numbers.										CERT
6436.10	CMIS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										CMIS
6436.11	CROWD shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										CROWD
6436.12	CSAMS shall be modified to reflect the										CSAMS

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	new MAC workload numbers.										
6436.13	The CMS Debt Collection System (DCS) shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.									DCS	
6436.13.1	The J10 A/B MAC shall manually adjust the DCS to reflect those providers whose contractor workload number has been changed. This is necessary because if this change is not made, any updates (collection or recall) would be sent to the original contractor workload number.									J10 A/B MAC	
6436.14	ECRS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.									ECRS	
6436.15	IRIS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.									IRIS	
6436.16	The NPI Crosswalk shall be modified to accept files with the new MAC workload numbers.									NPI Crosswalk Contractor	
6436.17	The contractors currently processing the workloads covered by this CR the J10 A/B MAC and the CDS EDC shall work together to contact the CMS data center (Donald.dimitriou@cms.hhs.gov) to set up file transfer protocols (where necessary) in accordance with the CMS Enterprise file Transfer (EFT) Infrastructure standard so that crosswalk files can be received for the new MAC workload numbers. When this file transfer process is in place, the contractors currently processing the workloads covered by this CR shall send in a complete master provider file containing the new MAC workload numbers to the NPI crosswalk. The NPI crosswalk shall send back a file with the NPI to legacy crosswalk. Then daily and files shall be sent and returned. The contractor using the new number shall also set up file transfers to correctly send files as described in JSM 06545. (Refer to CR									BCBS Georgia, Riverbend, Cahaba, CGS , CDS EDC, J10 A/B MAC, CMS Data Center	

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	5040, 5041.)										
6436.18	NGD shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										NGD
6436.19	PIMR shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										PIMR
6436.20	PSOR shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										PSOR
6436.21	PORS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										PORS
6436.22	Where necessary, the PS&R systems shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.	X									PS&R, CDS EDC
6436.23	PULSE shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										PULSE
6436.24	REMAS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										REMAS
6436.25	REMIS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										REMIS
6436.26	ECPS (formerly known as SuperOps) shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.						X				ECPS
6436.27	COBA shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										COBA COBC
6436.28	The PSCs/Z-PICs shall make the necessary modifications to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										PSC
6436.29	LOLA shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										LOLA
6436.30	STAR shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										STAR
6436.31	HCIS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										HCIS
6436.32	BESS shall be modified to reflect the new										BESS

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	MAC workload numbers.										
6436.33	QIES (the Quality Improvement Evaluation System, formerly known as OSCAR) shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										QIES
6436.34	PECOS shall create a new nightly extract file for MAC workload numbers 10101, 10201, 10301, 10102, 10202 and 10302. The CDS EDC processing this workload shall make arrangements to pick up this file.										PECOS, CDS EDC
6436.34.1	Any user at the J10 MAC who wants access to the new MAC workload numbers shall submit paper work as per the instructions in the on line Help (FAQ) section of PECOS at least 8 weeks prior to the effective date for the transition of that workload. (The users must do this in order to have access to the enrollments under these MAC numbers.)										J10 A/B MAC
6436.34.2	PECOS shall be modified to reflect the new MAC workload numbers. The PECOS team shall make all internal code changes to PECOS associated with the Medicare Contractor interface as well as the Web interface in order to accommodate the new MAC workload numbers of 10101, 10201, 10301, 10102, 10202 and 10302.										PECOS
6436.35	The CMS Baltimore Data Center shall modify its records to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										CMS HDC
6436.36	The FISS and MCS Maintainers shall work with CWF and the CDS EDC to ensure history files can be cross-referred to the new MAC workload numbers dating back at least 27 months.						X	X		X	CDS EDC
6436.37	The J10 A/B MAC shall modify any electronic claims billing or other software it supplies to providers/submitters to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										J10 A/B MAC

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6436.38	The J10 A/B MAC shall make any changes necessary to ensure its non-base applications and reports support the new production regions and the new MAC workload numbers.										J10 A/B MAC
6436.39	National Part B pricing files shall be updated to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.	X		X	X						CMS PRICING
6436.40	The Zip Code file shall be updated to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.	X		X	X						CMS ZIP CODE
6436.41	PIES (the Provider Inquiries Evaluation System) shall make any changes necessary to accommodate the new MAC workload numbers.										PIES
6436.42	The Local Coverage Determination (LCD) Database shall be updated to reflect the new MAC workload numbers.										LCD Database

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

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6436.43	The contractors currently processing workloads referred to in this CR shall post this entire instruction, or a direct link to this instruction, on its Web site and include information about it in a listserv message within 1 week of the release of this instruction. In addition, the entire instruction must be included in the Contractors next regularly scheduled bulletin.										BCBS Georgia, Riverbend, CGS, Cahaba
6436.43.1	The contractors currently processing the workloads referred to in this CR shall prepare an article explaining the MAC workload number changes for the workloads they currently process. Following approval of this article by the CMS J10 MAC Project Officer (Linda.Hepperle@cms.hhs.gov), each contractor shall post this article, or a direct link to this article, on its Web site and include information about it in a listserv message no later than 30 days prior to the effective date of the CR. Once the article is posted, it shall be included in the contractor's next regularly scheduled bulletin.										BCBS Georgia, Riverbend, CGS, Cahaba

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The workload numbers for the Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee Part A and Part B workloads must be changed according to a new MAC standardized numbering nomenclature to facilitate the state specific reporting and tracking of MAC data.

A. For any recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements, use the box below:

Use "Should" to denote a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

B. For all other recommendations and supporting information, use this space:

V. CONTACTS

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