

# Program Memorandum Intermediaries/Carriers

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## CHANGE REQUEST 1915

**SUBJECT: Expand Standard Date Format and Remove Common Working File (CWF) Y2K Wrapper Logic for Part B Eligibility File, Part B (HUBC), and DME (HUDC) Incoming and Response Transactions**

This change modifies the CWF system to include the century on processed dates in working storage dates used in Customer Information Control System (CICS) inquiries, and dates on all CWF files. These dates will all have the standard Julian format with the century of "CCYYDDD." Multiple one-time utilities will be created to convert internal system dates to the standard format, and CWF will be modified to process all dates in this format. The Y2K wrapper logic approach used made CWF Y2K-compatible but not Y2K-compliant. All external dates used as input to CWF include the century. Extensive bridge programs were written to accommodate our partnering systems. These internal bridge programs strip off the century on incoming transactions on the front end and then add the century back onto the outgoing response transaction before going back to the sender.

A phased implementation approach is being used with portions of the system upgraded in quarterly releases. This Program Memorandum (PM) will modify the Part B Eligibility File transaction, the Part B claim transaction (HUBC), the DMEPOS claim transaction (HUDC), and their attendant trailer records. Listed below are the copybook names of the transactions being modified. In each of these transactions the date fields are being expanded to the standard "CCYYDDD" format. Standard system maintainers and/or carriers will have to make changes as necessary to send in these transactions in the new format. The responses coming back for these transactions will also be in the new date format. The copybook layouts will be available in CWF CR#20718 in INFOMAN and will be sent directly to each standard system maintainer. Instructions will be forthcoming for future Y2K date expansion changes.

### Part B Eligibility

ELGECRESC  
ELGERES2

### HUBC & HUDC

CABCHUBC  
CABEHUBC

### Trailers

CUTRLR06  
CUTELR06  
CUTRLB11  
CUTRLR11  
CUTRLR13  
CUTR2R13  
CUTE2R13  
CUTELR13

### Response Record

CABESA2R

**The effective date for this PM is April 1, 2002.**

**The implementation date for this PM is April 1, 2002.**

**These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.**

**This PM may be discarded after April 1, 2003.**

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