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Subject: Optical Character Recognition (OCR) Interface in the Fiscal Intermediary Standard System (FISS)

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: FISS is required to provide the capability for MACs to process OCR claims in the Part A Shared System. This includes the ability of FISS to distinguish this type of claim as being subject to a different floor than an electronic claim.

New/Revised Material

Effective Date: January 1, 2007

Implementation Date: January 2, 2007

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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:

No additional funding will be provided by CMS; Contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2007 operating budgets.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

One-Time Notification

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

Attachment – One-Time Notification

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SUBJECT: Optical Character Recognition (OCR) interface in the Fiscal Intermediary Standard System (FISS)

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Background: The purpose of this change request is to notify all interested parties that FISS is required to provide the capability for MACs/FIs to process OCR (Optical Character Recognition) claims in the Part A Shared System. This includes the ability of FISS to recognize, process and report these claim as paper.

B. Policy: N/A

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement

"Should" denotes an optional requirement

Requirement Number	Requirements	Responsibility ("X" indicates the columns that apply)								
		FI	R H H I	C a r r i e r	D M E M A C	Shared System Maintainers				Other
						F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
5374.1	FISS shall provide the capability for MACs/FIs to process OCR (Optical Character Recognition) claims in the Part A Shared System. . .	X				X			X	A/B MAC
5374.2	The MAC/FI shall prepare these claims in the flat file format	X								A/B MAC
5374.3	FISS shall recognize, process and report these claims as paper claims	X				X				A/B MAC
5374.4	The appropriate payment floor criterion shall be applied when processing these claims. These shall be reported as paper in all appropriate categories on the CMS-1566 Workload Report.	X				X			X	A/B MAC

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION

Requirement Number	Requirements	Responsibility (“X” indicates the columns that apply)							
		F I	R H I	C a r r i e r	D M E M A C	Shared System Maintainers			
F I S S	M C S					V M S	C W F		
5374.5	Contractors are free to supplement this education with localized information that would benefit their provider community in billing and administering the Medicare program correctly.								Part AB MAC

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A. Other Instructions: NA

X-Ref Requirement #	Instructions

B. Design Considerations: NA

X-Ref Requirement #	Recommendation for Medicare System Requirements

C. Interfaces: NA

D. Contractor Financial Reporting /Workload Impact: N/A

E. Dependencies: NA

F. Testing Considerations: NA

V. SCHEDULE, CONTACTS, AND FUNDING

<p>Effective Date: January 1, 2007</p> <p>Implementation Date: January 2, 2007</p> <p>Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Edward.Lain@cms.hhs.gov 410-786-0848</p> <p>Post-Implementation Contact(s): Edward.Lain@cms.hhs.gov 410-786-0848</p>	<p>No additional funding will be provided by CMS; Contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2007 operating budgets.</p>
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