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SUBJECT: Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Software

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: In accordance with Chapter 16, Section 120.2, Publication 100-04, the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software will be updated to continue the processing of the ICD-9 diagnosis codes. On April 1, 2014, the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (PAMA) (Pub. L. No. 113-93) was enacted, which said that the Secretary may not adopt ICD-10 prior to October 1, 2015. Accordingly, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services expects to release an interim final rule in the near future that will include a new compliance date that would require the use of ICD-10 beginning October 1, 2015. The rule will also require HIPAA covered entities to continue to use ICD-9-CM through September 30, 2015.

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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 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	

III. FUNDING:

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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Recurring Update Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: In accordance with Chapter 16, Section 120.2, Publication 100-04, the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software will be updated to continue the processing of the ICD-9 diagnosis codes. On April 1, 2014, the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (PAMA) (Pub. L. No. 113-93) was enacted, which said that the Secretary may not adopt ICD-10 prior to October 1, 2015. Accordingly, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services expects to release an interim final rule in the near future that will include a new compliance date that would require the use of ICD-10 beginning October 1, 2015. The rule will also require HIPAA covered entities to continue to use ICD-9-CM through September 30, 2015.

B. Policy: The Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software will be updated to continue the processing of the ICD-9 diagnosis codes. There are no updates to the laboratory NCD code lists for this quarter.

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	
8797.1	<p>The Shared Systems Maintainer shall implement software updates to the Online Inquiry System from the Lab Edit Changes Spreadsheet, dated 5/19/14, Element #20, "UPDATE END DATE OF ICD-9 & START DATE OF ICD-10"</p> <p>Online Inquiry Logs: RR17.@4AX7930.LEM.ONLINE.D140506.LOGS</p> <p>Online Inquiry load modules: RR17.@4AX7930.LEM.ONLINE.D140506.LOADI B</p>					X	X			FU Associates
8797.2	The Shared Systems Maintainer shall implement software updates to the Batch/CICS System from the Lab Edit Changes Spreadsheet, dated 5/19/14,					X	X			FU Associates

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		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	Shared- System Maintainers				Other
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	<p>Element #20, "UPDATE END DATE OF ICD-9 & START DATE OF ICD-10"</p> <p>Batch Logs:</p> <p>RR17.@4AX7930.LEM.BATCH.D140502.LOGS</p> <p>Batch load modules:</p> <p>RR17.@4AX7930.LEM.BATCH.D140502.LOADLIB</p>									

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		
8797.3	<p>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.</p>	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:

Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

V. CONTACTS

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