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	Change Request 9531

SUBJECT: Quarterly Update to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) - April CY 2016 Update

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: Payment files were issued to contractors based upon the CY 2016 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) Final Rule. This change request amends those payment files. This Recurring Update Notification applies to Pub. 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 23, Section 30.1.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2016

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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 4, 2016

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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):

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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Recurring Update Notification

Attachment - Recurring Update Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: Payment files were issued to contractors based upon the CY 2016 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) Final Rule, published in the Federal Register on November 16, 2015, to be effective for services furnished between January 1, 2016, and December 31, 2016.

B. Policy: Section 1848(c)(4) of the Social Security Act authorizes the Secretary to establish ancillary policies necessary to implement relative values for physicians' services.

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		
9531.1	Medicare contractors shall retrieve the revised payment files and update their systems (manually or via provided 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. (See attachment for summary of changes and effective dates.)	X	X	X		X					
9531.2	Medicare contractors shall send notification of successful receipt 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., A/B MAC name and number).	X	X	X							
9531.3	Medicare contractors need not search their files to either retract payment for claims already paid or to retroactively pay claims. However, contractors shall adjust claims brought to their attention.	X	X	X							
9531.4	Contractors shall, in accordance with Pub 100-04,	X	X	X							

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		A	B	H H H		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
	Medicare Claims Processing Manual, chapter 23, section 30.1, give providers 30 day notices before implementing the changes identified in this CR.									
9531.5	CMS will send CWF files to facilitate duplicate billing edits: 1) Duplicate Radiology editing; 2) Duplicate Diagnostic editing; 3) Duplicate Pathology editing, and; 4) RVU and payment indicator files. CWF will be notified via email when these files have been sent to them. CWF shall compare the existing file to the new file and install any necessary changes.							X		
9531.6	Contractors shall add new codes G9481 through G9490 (see attachment) with type of service 1, effective for dates of service on and after April 1, 2016. NOTE: See CR 9533 for the full code descriptions.	X	X	X				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		
9531.7	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 5 business days after receipt of the notification from CMS announcing the availability of the 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	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: N/A
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Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: MPFS – MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY16.RV2.C00000.V0215

Abstracts –

MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY16.ABSTR.V0215.FI

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Second set of abstract files for FISS (FISS will need multiple files due to the multiple effective dates):

MU00.@BF12390.MPFS.CY16.ABSTR.V0229.FI

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V. CONTACTS

Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Kathleen Kersell, 410-786-2033 or kathleen.kersell@cms.hhs.gov (Contact for questions related to payment policy.) , Charles Campbell, 410-786-7209 or charles.campbell@cms.hhs.gov (Contact for file format questions.)

Post-Implementation Contact(s): Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

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ATTACHMENTS: 1

Attachment for CR 9531: Quarterly Update to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) - April CY 2016 Update

Unless otherwise stated, the changes included in the April update to the 2016 MPFSDB are effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2016.

CPT/HCPCS

<u>& MOD</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
G0464	Procedure Status = I
G9678	Procedure Status = X Effective for services on or after 4-1-2016 (see CR 9341)
10030	Global period days = 000
77014	PC/TC Indicator = 1
80055	Procedure Status = X

The following codes are effective for services performed on or after 4-1-2016 (see CR 9533 for full description and additional information):

<u>CODE</u>	<u>SHORT DESCR.</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
G9481	Remote E/M new pt 10mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99201.
G9482	Remote E/M new pt 20mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99202.
G9483	Remote E/M new pt 30mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99203.
G9484	Remote E/M new pt 45mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99204.
G9485	Remote E/M new pt 60mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99205.
G9486	Remote E/M est. pt 10mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99212.
G9487	Remote E/M est. pt 15mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99213.
G9488	Remote E/M est. pt 25mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99214.
G9489	Remote E/M est. pt 40mins	PE RVU = 0, all other MPFS indicators/values = 99215.
G9490	Joint replac mod home visit	All MPFS indicators & RVUs = those of G9187.