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SUBJECT: Conference Call and Research Hours in Support of CR 5949

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This CR is requesting conference call and research hours in support of CR 5949.

EFFECTIVE DATE: *July 1, 2010

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: July 6, 2010

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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:

For Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs) and/or Carriers:

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

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.*

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)									
		A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I I E R	C A R R I E R	R H H I	Shared- System Maintainers				OTH ER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
	(Trailblazer) and J14 (NHIC), shall have 5 conference calls of 2 hours in duration which will require prep/research time between each call.										
6869.2	For May 2010, 2 A/B MACs, J4 (Trailblazer) and J14 (NHIC), shall have 2 conference calls of 2 hours in duration which will require prep/research time between each call.	X									
6869.3	For June 2010, 2 A/B MACs, J4 (Trailblazer) and J14 (NHIC), shall have 1 conference call of 1 hour in duration which will require prep/research time.	X									
6869.4	Between present and end of April 2010, 2 DME MACs, JC (CIGNA) and JB (NGS), shall have 5 conference calls of 2 hours in duration which will require prep/research time between each call.		X								
6869.5	For May 2010, 2 DME MACs, JC (CIGNA) and JB (NGS), shall have 2 conference calls of 2 hours in duration which will require prep/research time between each call.		X								
6869.6	For June 2010, 2 DME MACs, JC (CIGNA) and JB (NGS) shall have 1 conference call of 1 hour in duration which will require prep/research time.		X								
6869.7	Between present and end of April 2010, 1 RHHI (NGS), shall have 5 conference calls of 2 hours in duration which will require prep/research time between each call.					X					
6869.8	For May 2010, 1 RHHI (NGS), shall have 2 conference calls of 2 hours in duration which will require prep/research time between each call.					X					
6869.9	For June 2010, 1 RHHI (NGS), shall have 1 conference call of 1 hour in duration which will require prep/research time.					X					
6869.10	May through June 2010, all MACs shall review documentation that came from conference calls and emails.	X	X			X					
6869.11	Between present and end of April 2010, FISS, MCS, VMS shall have 5 conference calls of 2 hours in duration which will require prep/research time between each call.						X	X	X		
6869.12	For May 2010, FISS, MCS, VMS shall have 2 conference calls of 2 hours duration which will require prep/research time between each call.						X	X	X		
6869.13	For June 2010, FISS, MCS, VMS shall have 2 conference calls of 1 hour duration which will require						X	X	X		

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						F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F		
	prep/research time between each call.										
6869.14	For July 2010, FISS, MCS, VMS shall have 1 conference call of 1 hour duration which will require prep/research time.						X	X	X		
6869.15	Between present and end of July 2010, the data centers shall have 3 conference calls of 1 hour duration which will require prep/research time between each call.									All data centers	

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)									
		A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I M A C	C A R R I E R	R H H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTH ER
						F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F		
	None										

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section 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:

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

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