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1. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to inform MAC submitters of upcoming changes to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Eligibility Transaction System (HETS) 270/271 and HETS MBI Look-Up functions which will be implemented with HETS 270/271 R2018Q400 Release.

2. Overview of Release

The HETS R2018Q400 Release introduces changes to the HETS 271 and MBI Look-Up responses. There are several potential changes to the HETS 271 eligibility response. Additionally, the potential responses to MBI Look-Up requests have changed.

The following section documents the details for R2018Q400 changes.

3. Summary of Impact on Trading Partners

3.1 HETS 270/271 Changes

3.1.1 Return Applicable Diagnosis Codes for MSP enrollment period(s)

Effective with this release, if applicable, HETS 270/271 will return all MSP diagnosis codes related to each Medicare Beneficiary MSP enrollment period(s) returned in the 271 response. HETS 270/271 will return one MSG segment for each applicable MSP enrollment; that MSG segment will include all MSP diagnosis codes related to that MSP enrollment period. HETS 270/271 will return multiple MSG segments if the Medicare Beneficiary has multiple applicable MSP enrollment periods. HETS 270/271 will only return ICD-10 codes. HETS 270/271 will not return MSP diagnosis codes that are known to be invalid. Example of the updated eligibility response:

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EB*R**30*14~  
REF*IG*12345~  
DTP*290*RD8*20170101-20170731~ (MSP enrollment period)  
MSG*S8002XA,S40012A,S93609A,G5622~ (MSP related diagnosis codes)  
LS*2120~  
NM1*PRP*2*ABC HEALTHPLAN~  
N3*123 MAIN ST~  
N4*ANYTOWN*MD*21204~  
LE*2120~  
EB*R**30*14~  
REF*IG*54321~  
DTP*290*D8*20171201~ (Ongoing MSP enrollment period)  
MSG*M545,M542,M25512,M25412,S40012A,G5622~ (MSP diagnosis)  
LS*2120~  
NM1*PRP*2*XYZ HEALTHPLAN~  
N3*987 BROADWAY~
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N4*ANYTOWN*HI*999999999~
LE*2120~

3.1.2 Return Additional MDPP Usage Information

Effective with this release, in particular scenarios, HETS 270/271 will return additional MDPP usage information on the 271 response. HETS 270/271 will return additional MDPP usage information in either of two scenarios:

- 1) The NPI submitted on the 270 request belongs to an MDPP Supplier. HETS 270/271 determines MDPP Supplier status based on the NPI record having a single enrolled specialty code of 'D1'. NPIs associated with multiple specialty codes are not categorized as MDPP Suppliers (even if one of the specialty codes is 'D1').
- 2) The 270 request includes the Service Type Code (STC) "CQ".

In either of these scenarios, the HETS 271 response will include HCPCS codes for MDPP services previously rendered for the Medicare Beneficiary. Medicare Providers can utilize this historical MDPP usage information to determine the next available MDPP service for a Medicare Beneficiary. Medicare Part B coverage is required for MDPP eligibility. Medicare Beneficiaries in an active ESRD occurrence are not MDPP eligible. If a Medicare Beneficiary is ineligible for MDPP, MDPP usage information is not returned on the HETS 271. Medicare Beneficiaries that have opted for Medicare Advantage coverage should contact their Medicare Advantage plan for MDPP Coverage Information.

Based on prior MDPP usage, HETS 270/271 can potentially return the following MDPP HCPCS codes on a 271 response:

- HETS 270/271 will return a single MDPP HCPCS code of G9873 (representing 'Initiating Payment') when the Medicare Beneficiary has no prior MDPP usage.
- MDPP HCPCS codes with actual usage (potentially including G9873, G9874, G9875, G9876, G9877, G9878, G9879, G9880, G9881, G9882, G9883, G9884, G9885, G9890 and G9891) will return the MDPP HCPCS code, the Billing Provider NPI and the Date of Service for each MDPP HCPCS code.
 - Based on prior usage, MDPP HCPCS codes G9890 and G9891 can be returned multiple times. All other MDPP HCPCS codes are once-in-a-lifetime services and would only return once in a 271 response.

While HETS 270/271 may return these MDPP HCPCS codes on a 271 response, HETS 270/271 will not support use of these MDPP HCPCS codes on a 270 request. HETS 270/271 will disregard these HCPCS codes if submitted on a 270 request. Submitters wanting to receive prior MDPP usage information on the 271 response should submit STC "CQ".

Examples of the updated eligibility responses:

MDPP HCPCS Information for Medicare Beneficiary with No Prior MDPP Usage:

EB*1***MB*****HC|G9873~ (HCPCS G9873 represents 'Initiating Payment')

MDPP HCPCS Information for Medicare Beneficiary with Prior MDPP Usage:

EB*D***MB*****HC|G9873~ (HCPCS G9873 represents 'Initiating Payment')
DTP*472*D8*20180605~ (Date of Service)
LS*2120~

NM1*1P*2*****XX*1234567893~ (NPI rendering MDPP service)
 LE*2120~
 EB*D***MB*****HC|G9891~ (different MDPP HCPCS code)
 DTP*472*D8*20180720~ (Date of Service)
 LS*2120~
 NM1*1P*2*****XX*1234567893~ (NPI rendering MDPP service)
 LE*2120~
 EB*D***MB*****HC|G9891~ (HCPCS code G9891 returned multiple times)
 DTP*472*D8*20180827~ (Date of Service)
 LS*2120~
 NM1*1P*2*****XX*111111111113~ (Different NPI rendering MDPP service)
 LE*2120~
 EB*D***MB*****HC|G9874~ (different MDPP HCPCS code)
 DTP*472*D8*20180973~ (Date of Service)
 LS*2120~
 NM1*1P*2*****XX*1234567893~ (NPI rendering MDPP service)
 LE*2120~

3.1.3 Modify the 271 Display of MCO/Part D Contract/PBP Information

Effective with this release, if applicable, HETS 270/271 will modify the manner in which it returns Managed Care Organization (MCO) Contract and Plan Benefit Package (PBP) information in the 271 response. HETS 270/271 currently returns the MCO Contract and PBP Numbers as a single, concatenated element in the 271 response (with the two values separated by a space). The HETS 271 response will now:

- Return the MCO/Part D Contract and PBP Numbers within separate 271 2100C REF segments
- When the PBP Number is available, HETS 270/271 will return the MCO/Part D PBP Name in a new REF segment for PBP information. This information would be included in a 271 2100C REF loop for each MCO or Part D enrollment.

If applicable, HETS 270/271 will continue to return the MCO/Part D Contract Name in the 271 2120C NM1 segment.

Examples of the updated eligibility responses:

MCO Contract/PBP Changes – MCO Example:

EB*U**30*HN~
 REF*18*H1234~ (REF02 = Contract Number)
 REF*N6*001*ExcellenteBronzePPO~ (REF02 = PBP Plan Number, REF03 =
 PBP Plan Name)
 DTP*290*D8*20170101~
 MSG*MCO Bill Option Code – C~
 LS*2120~
 NM1*PRP*2*Health Bronze~
 N3*1 Main St*Unit 101~
 N4*Baltimore*MD*21204~
 PER*IC**TE*4105555555*UR*www.website.com~
 LE*2120~

MCO Contract/PBP Changes – Part D Example:

EB*R**88*OT~
REF*18*S1234~ (REF02 = Contract Number)
REF*N6*001*ExcellenteBronzePPO~ (REF02 = PBP Plan Number, REF03 =
PBP Plan Name)
DTP*292*D8*20170101~
LS*2120~
NM1*PR*2*Health PDP~
N3*1 Main St*Unit 101~
N4*Baltimore*MD*21204~
PER*IC**TE*4105555555*UR*www.website.com~
LE*2120~

3.1.4 Potential 2019 HCPCS Code Changes

Effective with this release, if necessary, HETS 270/271 will prepare for any industry-mandated changes to HCPCS codes – including modifying HETS 270/271 logic for any supported HCPCS codes that will be replaced or terminated on January 1, 2019. All currently supported HCPCS codes will continue to function until December 31, 2018. CMS will provide additional notification if HETS 270/271 Submitters are required to make any HCPCS related changes. Refer to Sections 7.2 and/or 7.10 of the HETS 270/271 Companion Guide for additional information about currently supported HCPCS codes.

3.2 HETS MBI Look-Up Changes

3.2.1 HETS MBI Look-Up Will No Longer Utilize Card Mail Date in Match Logic

Effective with this release, HETS MBI Look-Up will no longer consider the MBI card mail date when determining whether to return a MBI. If all of the submitted data elements match, the MBI value would be returned on the MBI Look-Up response regardless if the MBI card had been mailed or not. HETS currently returns a 271 2100C AAA03 = “78” error if the MBI card had not yet been mailed. HETS MBI Look-Up will no longer return any such AAA03 = “78” response.

Appendix A. Record of Changes

Table 1 provides a summary of changes made to this document.

Table 1 - Document Revision History

Version	Date	Description of Changes
1.1	10/03/2018	Section 3.1.1 – Corrected typo that labeled sample diagnosis codes as HCPCS instead of diagnosis codes Section 3.1.2 – Removed MDPP HCPCS codes G9886, G9887, G9888 and G9889 from list of HCPCS codes that can be returned by HETS.
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