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	Change Request 14259

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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:

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#### IV. ATTACHMENTS:

**One Time Notification** 

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#### II. GENERAL INFORMATION

**A. Background:** CR 7601 (Transmittal 977) was issued in October 2011, with an implementation of April 2, 2012, and an effective date of April 1, 2012, instructing the Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) to develop a process for sending Recovery Auditor-initiated Periodic Interim Payment (PIP) claim adjustments to the Healthcare Integrated General Ledger Accounting System (HIGLAS) via the 837 interface.

Due to issues with the process, a workgroup was formed in the spring of 2013 to ensure that adjustments were transmitting accurately from FISS to HIGLAS. In the summer of 2014, CMS was alerted that this process was specific to 11X bill types, and all other bill types for PIP providers were placed on hold. Based on subsequent discussions with the workgroup, it has been determined that the process also affects18X, 21X, 81X, and 82X bill types. The purpose of this CR is to ensure that all Recovery Auditor-initiated adjustments (11H, 18H, 21H, 81H and 82H) to PIP claims and their subsequent adjustments are reported correctly on the PS&R Report.

**B.** Policy: Section 302 of the Tax Relief Act and Health Care Act of 2006.

## III. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement, and "should" denotes an optional requirement.

Number	Requirement	Re	spoi	nsibility	7					
		Α	/B I	MAC	DME	Share	Other			
		Α	В	ННН		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
					MAC					
14259.1	FISS shall continue to send					X				
	all Recovery-Auditor									
	initiated adjustments to PIP									
	claims to HIGLAS via the									
	837 interface.									
	NOTE: CMS anticipates									
	such processes will									

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				MAC	DME			m Main		Other
		A	В	ННН	MAC	FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	account for the changes made via FS6965, FS7978 and CR9662.									
14259.2	FISS shall include the following bill types in the development of business requirement 14259.1:  • 21X, 18X(Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF))  • 81X, 82X (Part A Hospice)  NOTE: Currently 11x Type of Bills (TOBs) are handled under CR 7601.					X				HIGLAS
14259.3	FISS shall set the PIP PAY AS CASH indicator flag to 'Y' when:  The claim provider payment PIP indicator ="Y",  The claim Adjustment Reason = RAC Adj "RI",					X				
	RAC-initiated adjustment TOB Frequency = "H" for TOB "18H", "21H", "81H" or "82H". NOTE: Existing TOBs 11X/11H will continue to process without change.									
14259.3.1	FISS shall ensure that both the debit and the credit record of the initial RAC adjustment continue to process as non-PIP.					X				
14259.3.2	FISS shall set the tape-to- tape flag to 'A' on the Financial Master File Remittance debit and credit					X				

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		A	/B I	MAC	DME	Share	d-Syste	m Main	tainers	Other
		A	В	ННН	MAC	FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	record to the first adjustment cross-referenced to the initial RAC adjustment. This adjustment shall also have the PIP Pay as Cash indicator already set to a Y.									
14259.3.3	FISS shall set the tape-to- tape flag to "A" and the PIP Pay as Cash Indicator to "Y" when:  • The record being adjusted is for a PIP provider • The original Adjustment Reason Code = RAC Adj "RI"  • TOB Frequency is not Void/Cancel Prior Claim value "8"  • The original DCN = the current XREF claim number • The original claim PIP Pay as Cash Indicator is blank. • RAC-initiated adjustment TOB Frequency = "H" for TOB "18H", "21H", "81H" or "82H".  NOTE: When the tape-to- tape flag value is already "B", the value will not be overlaid with "A".					X				
14259.3.4	FISS shall set the tape-to-tape flag to "A" when:  • Tape-to-tape flag is not = "B".  • TOB Frequency is not Void/Cancel Prior Claim value					X				

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	<ul> <li>PIP Pay as Cash Indicator = "Y"</li> <li>AND</li> <li>RAC-initiated adjustment TOB Frequency = "H" for TOB "18H", "21H", "81H" or "82H".</li> <li>Adjustment Reason = RAC Adj "RI"</li> </ul>				MAC					
	• Claim is for a PIP provider • The original claim was not the initial adjustment: • Original claim Transaction Type was not blank (ie., C credit or D debit) • AND • Original Adjustment Reason (RAC Adj) = "RI"									
	<ul> <li>OR</li> <li>The record being adjusted is for a PIP provider.</li> <li>RAC-initiated TOB Frequency value is NOT = "H" for TOBs "18X", "21X", "81X' or "82X"</li> </ul>									
	NOTE: Existing TOBs 11X/11H will continue to process without change.									

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14259.4	The MAC shall use Account Payment and Receivable Invoice number for formatting the digits only of the suppressed adjusted claim number along with the number of A's present at the end of the FISS adjustment number.  NOTE: The Account Payable or Receivable Invoice number shall be based on the claim number of the suppressed	X		X						
14250.5	adjustment.	V		v						
14259.5	The MAC shall enter the Manual payable invoice for suppressed adjustment in HIGLAS using the below field values:  Type:  Standard Invoice Number:  AP Invoice amount:  CPT Interest Indicator DFF: DC  Invoice Type DFF: MANUAL  Sub Invoice Type DFF: 'M4_PIP_Claim'  Shared System Reason Code:  Shared System Discovery Code:	X		X						
14259.6	The MAC shall enter the Manual receivable invoice for suppressed adjustment in HIGLAS using the below field values:	X		X						

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				MAC	DME	Share	d-Syste	m Main	tainers	Other
		A	В	ННН	MAC	FISS	MCS	VMS		
	Class: Invoice									
	AR Transaction Amount:									
	AR Transaction/Invoice Number:									
	Transaction Type:									
	Reference: mother claim number									
	Transaction DFF: claim number field for mother claim number									
	Context Value: Manual									
	Invoice Type DFF: MANUAL									
	Sub Invoice Type DFF: 'M4_PIP_Claim'									
	Reason Code:									
	Discovery Code:									
	Patient Account Number:									
	ID: Provider or Beneficiary DFF: < appropriate value>									
	Name: Provider or Beneficiary DFF: < appropriate value >									
	Date of Service From DFF: < appropriate value >									
	Date of Service To DFF: < appropriate value >									
	Type of Bill:									
	NOTE: The MAC shall enter any other Descriptive Flexfield (DFF) that is required for demand letters.									

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14259.7	HIGLAS shall make configuration changes to IBPR report to reflect these Manual Claim invoices in IBPR report under Line 19 for "SNF" and in Line 29 for "HOSPICE", using the Sub Invoice Type 'M4_PIP_Claim', and continue to report under Line 2A for "HOSPITALS".									HIGLAS
14259.8	HIGLAS shall continue to report the 'M4' PLB Code on the HIGLAS 835 Interface to FISS, for these manual invoices having the Sub Invoice Type 'M4_PIP_Claim'.					X				HIGLAS
14259.9	The PS&R Reporting System shall accept a new field that identifies the payment method (PIP or Cash) for claims submitted by PIP providers.									PS&R
14259.10	The PS&R System shall report separately the payments/recoupments to/from a PIP provider on a PIP basis (e.g., Outliers for a claim paid under PIP) and payments/recoupments made to/from a PIP provider on a cash basis (e.g., Net Reimbursement for a RAC recouped claim) per the payment method identified by the new field.									PS&R
14259.11	The PS&R System shall base the payment method for a credit record for a PIP claim on the value in the new field for the paired debit record. The values of the initial RAC credit mirror the preceding debit in FISS, which means it									PS&R

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	does not have the RI Adjustment Reason Code, nor the new indicator that the adjustment should be treated as a cash transaction. In order to capture that the entire adjustment is being treated as a cash transaction, PS&R shall look to the debit record to determine how to account for the credit record's payment basis.				WAC					
14259.12	The Recovery Auditor shall not submit any PIP adjustments for TOB = 21X, 18X(Skilled Nursing Facility), or 81X, 82X (Part A Hospice) until the implementation of this CR.									RAC

## IV. PROVIDER EDUCATION

None

**Impacted Contractors:** None

## V. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements: N/A

<sup>&</sup>quot;Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref	Recommendations or other supporting information:
Requirement	
Number	

Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: n/a

VI. CONTACTS

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

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