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**TO:** All Medicare Advantage Organizations, Prescription Drug Plans,  
Cost Plans, PACE Organizations and Demonstrations

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**SUBJECT:** New Transaction Reply Code (TRC) and TRC 165 Clean-ups

CMS has isolated a major cause of TRC 165s related to premium information. Code 72 transactions with premium information are receiving 165s anytime the 72 information precisely duplicates existing premium information. The system currently has no TRC to respond to this specific scenario. CMS has now created a new TRC to send out when the premium information on a change transaction is precisely the same as the premium information on CMS databases. Any plan receiving this code has no further action required. The code indicates that the plan data as submitted matches CMS data.

**Code/Type \*:** 179 A

**Title:** Transaction Accepted – No Change to Premium Record

**Short Definition:** NO CHNG TO PREM

**Definition:** Transaction (code 72) is accepted with no data change made to the beneficiary's active premium record. The premium data changes as requested by the plan change transaction are the same as the current data on the beneficiary's active premium record for the specified period. No further action required.

**TRAN\_RPLY\_DESC:** ACCEPTED, DATA ON PREMIUM RECORD ALREADY EXISTS.