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Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Mandatory Reporting Provisions Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 (See 42 U.S.C. 1395y(b)(7)&(b)(8))

Technical Alert: Reminder to Report Recovery Agent Information in Designated Fields

Note: This document is a reminder of the recovery agent reporting requirements documented in the following Alert: <u>Technical Alert: Option for Responsible Reporting Entities (RREs) to Submit Recovery Agent Information for MSP Recovery Related Correspondence for Liability Insurance (Including Self-Insurance), No-Fault Insurance, and Workers' Compensation.</u>

Reporting Reminder: Effective July 13, 2015, CMS implemented a solution for recovery agent information reporting that rendered the previous "Third Party Administration (TPA) workaround" (i.e. submitted recovery agent information in TIN Reference File fields intended for the RRE) obsolete. RREs that previously used this workaround were required to resubmit <u>all</u> TIN Reference File records with up-to-date recovery agent information in the specified recovery agent fields (fields 16-22) and RRE information in the RRE/TIN fields (fields 2-15). RREs should resubmit corrected TIN Reference File records, if they have not already done so, to avoid inappropriate recovery actions.

Medicare uses information provided on the TIN Reference File records to identify the correct debtor for recovery efforts and issue recovery correspondence to the proper recipients; it is the RRE's responsibility to ensure these records are accurate and up-to-date. Failure to resubmit TIN Reference File records with correct information in the appropriate fields may result in collections actions against the recovery agent, including referral to the Department of Treasury.

For more information on submitting recovery agent information via the TIN Reference File, see the NGHP User Guide Technical Information Chapter IV (Section 6.3.1). The NGHP User Guide can be downloaded from the NGHP User Guide page available at the following link: http://go.cms.gov/MIRNGHPUserGuide.