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# Bypassing Payment Window Edits for Donor Post-Kidney Transplant Complication Services

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## **PROVIDER TYPES AFFECTED**

This MLN Matters Article is for physicians, hospitals, and other providers billing Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) for kidney transplant services for Medicare beneficiaries.

#### **PROVIDER ACTION NEEDED**

CR11312 directs MACs to implement logic that ensures they bypass payment window edits (3days and 1-day) when processing claims for donor post-kidney transplant complications services. MACs will hold certain claims, as noted below, until Medicare's Common Working File (CWF) system edits these claims correctly. Please be sure your billing staffs are aware of these changes.

### BACKGROUND

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has learned that payment window edits, both the 1-day and 3-day edits, need to be bypassed in addition to other claims processing system bypasses implemented in April 2012 with CR7523.

MACs must hold any donor post-kidney transplant complication services claims that receive the following edits until the CWF system implements CR11312:

#### 3-Day Payment Window Edits:

- 7109: Outpatient Diagnostic Service against Inpatient in history
- 7113: Inpatient against Outpatient Diagnostic Service in history
- 7114: Outpatient Therapeutic Service against Inpatient in history
- 7115: Inpatient against Outpatient Therapeutic Service



#### 1-Day Payment Window Edits:

- 7119: Outpatient Diagnostic Services against Inpatient in history
- 7120: Inpatient against Outpatient Diagnostic Services in history
- 7121: Outpatient Therapeutic Services against Inpatient in history
- 7122: Inpatient against Outpatient Therapeutic Services in history

Note: CR11312 makes no policy changes.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

You can review CR7523, transmittals R2334CP and R148BP.

The official instruction, CR11312, issued to your MAC regarding this change, is available at <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Guidance/Transmittals/2019Downloads/R2338OTN.pdf">https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Cuidance/Transmittals/2019Downloads/R2338OTN.pdf</a>.

If you have questions, your MACs may have more information. Find their website at <a href="http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list">http://go.cms.gov/MAC-website-list</a>.

### **DOCUMENT HISTORY**

Date of Change	Description
April 12, 2021	We replaced article links with links to related CRs.
August 9, 2019	Initial article released.

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