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SUBJECT: Update to Publication (Pub.) 100-04 Chapter 25 to Provide Language-Only Changes for the New Medicare Card Project

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This Change Request (CR) contains language-only changes for updating the New Medicare Card Project-related language in Pub 100-04, chapter 25. There are no new coverage policies, payment policies, or codes introduced in this transmittal. Specific policy changes and related business requirements have been announced previously in various communications.

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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
R	25/75.5/Form Locators 43-65

III. FUNDING:

For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):

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IV. ATTACHMENTS:

**Business Requirements
Manual Instruction**

Attachment - Business Requirements

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is implementing changes to remove the Social Security Number (SSN) from the Medicare card. A new number, called the Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI), will be assigned to all Medicare beneficiaries. This CR contains language-only changes for updating the New Medicare Card Project language related to the MBI in Pub 100-04, chapter 25.

B. Policy: The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA) requires removal of the SSN-based Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) from Medicare cards within four years of enactment. There are no new coverage policies, payment policies, or codes introduced in this transmittal. Specific policy changes and related business requirements have been announced previously in various communications.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility							
		A/B MAC		D M E	Shared- System Maintainers			Other	
		A	B		H H H	M I C S S	V C S		C M W F
11091.1	The Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) shall be aware of the updated language for the New Medicare Card Project in Pub. 100 - 04, chapter 25.	X							

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D M E D I	C M E D I
		A	B	H H H		
	None					

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

V. CONTACTS

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

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Medicare Claims Processing Manual

Chapter 25 - Completing and Processing the Form CMS-1450 Data Set

75.5 - Form Locators 43-65

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The term Medicare beneficiary identifier (Mbi) is a general term describing a beneficiary's Medicare identification number. For purposes of this manual, Medicare beneficiary identifier references both the Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) and the Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) during the new Medicare card transition period and after for certain business areas that will continue to use the HICN as part of their processes.

FL 43 - Revenue Description/IDE Number/Medicaid Drug Rebate

Not Required. The provider enters a narrative description or standard abbreviation for each revenue code shown in FL 42 on the adjacent line in FL 43. The information assists clerical bill review. Descriptions or abbreviations correspond to the revenue codes. “Other” code categories are locally defined and individually described on each bill.

The investigational device exemption (IDE) or procedure identifies a specific device used only for billing under the specific revenue code 0624. The IDE will appear on the paper format of Form CMS-1450 as follows: FDA IDE # A123456 (17 spaces).

HHAs identify the specific piece of durable medical equipment (DME) or non-routine supplies for which they are billing in this area on the line adjacent to the related revenue code. This description must be shown in Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) coding.

When required to submit drug rebate data for Medicaid rebates, submit N4 followed by the 11 digit National Drug Code (NDC) in positions 01-13 (e.g., N499999999999). Report the NDC quantity qualifier followed by the quantity beginning in position 14. The Description Field on Form CMS-1450 is 24 characters in length. An example of the methodology is illustrated below.

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FL 44 - HCPCS/Rates/HIPPS Rate Codes

Required. When coding HCPCS for outpatient services, the provider enters the HCPCS code describing the procedure here. On inpatient hospital bills the accommodation rate is shown here.

HCPCS used for Medicare claims are available from Medicare contractors.

Health Insurance Prospective Payment System (HIPPS) Rate Codes

The HIPPS rate code consists of the three-character resource utilization group (RUG) code that is obtained from the “Grouper” software program followed by a 2-digit assessment indicator (AI) that specifies the type of assessment associated with the RUG code obtained from the Grouper. SNFs must use the version of the Grouper software program identified by CMS for national PPS as described in the Federal Register for that year. The Grouper translates the data in the Long Term Care Resident Instrument into a case mix group and assigns the correct RUG code. The AIs were developed by CMS.

The Grouper will not automatically assign the 2-digit AI, except in the case of a swing bed MDS that is will result in a special payment situation AI (see below). The HIPPS rate codes that appear on the claim must match the assessment that has been transmitted and accepted by the State in which the facility operates. The SNF cannot put a HIPPS rate code on the claim that does not match the assessment.

HIPPS Rate Codes used for Medicare claims are available from Medicare contractors.

HIPPS Modifiers/Assessment Type Indicators

The assessment indicators (AI) were developed by CMS to identify on the claim, which of the scheduled Medicare assessments or off-cycle assessments is associated with the assessment reference date and the RUG that is included on the claim for payment of Medicare SNF services. In addition, the AIs identify the Effective Date for the beginning of the covered period and aid in ensuring that the number of days billed for each scheduled Medicare assessment or off cycle assessment accurately reflect the changes in the beneficiary's status over time. The indicators were developed by utilizing codes for the reason for assessment contained in section AA8 of the current version of the Resident Assessment Instrument, Minimum Data Set in order to ease the reporting of such information. Follow the CMS manual instructions for appropriate assignment of the assessment codes.

HIPPS Modifiers/Assessment Type Indicators used for Medicare claims are available from Medicare contractors.

HCPCS Modifiers (Level I and Level II)

Form CMS-1450 accommodates up to four modifiers, two characters each. See AMA publication CPT 20xx (xx= to current year) Current Procedural Terminology Appendix A - HCPCS Modifiers Section: "Modifiers Approved for Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Hospital Outpatient Use". Various CPT (Level I HCPCS) and Level II HCPCS codes may require the use of modifiers to improve the accuracy of coding. Consequently, reimbursement, coding consistency, editing and proper payment will benefit from the reporting of modifiers. Hospitals should not report a separate HCPCS (five-digit code) instead of the modifier. When appropriate, report a modifier based on the list indicated in the above section of the AMA publication.

HCPCS modifiers used for Medicare claims are available from Medicare contractors.

FL 45 - Service Date

Required Outpatient. CMHCs and hospitals (with the exception of CAHs, Indian Health Service hospitals and hospitals located in American Samoa, Guam and Saipan) report line item dates of service on all bills containing revenue codes, procedure codes or drug codes. This includes claims where the "from" and "through" dates are equal. This change is due to a HIPAA requirement.

There must be a single line item date of service (LIDOS) for every iteration of every revenue code on all outpatient bills (TOBs 013X, 014X, 023X, 024X, 032X, 033X, 034X, 071X, 072X, 073X, 074X, 075X, 076X, 077X (effective April 1, 2010), 081X, 082X, 083X, and 085X and on inpatient Part B bills (TOBs 012x and 022x). If a particular service is rendered 5 times during the billing period, the revenue code and HCPCS code must be entered 5 times, once for each service date.

FL 46 - Units of Service

Required. Generally, the entries in this column quantify services by revenue code category, e.g., number of days in a particular type of accommodation, pints of blood. However, when HCPCS codes are required for services, the units are equal to the number of times the procedure/service being reported was performed.

The provider enters up to seven numeric digits. It shows charges for noncovered services as noncovered, or omits them. **NOTE:** Hospital outpatient departments report the number of visits/sessions when billing under the partial hospitalization program.

FL 47 - Total Charges - Not Applicable for Electronic Billers

Required. This is the FL in which the provider sums the total charges for the billing period for each revenue code (FL 42); or, if the services require, in addition to the revenue center code, a HCPCS procedure code, where the provider sums the total charges for the billing period for each HCPCS code. The last revenue code entered in FL 42 is “0001” which represents the grand total of all charges billed. The amount for this code, as for all others is entered in FL 47. Each line for FL 47 allows up to nine numeric digits (0000000.00). The CMS policy is for providers to bill Medicare on the same basis that they bill other payers. This policy provides consistency of bill data with the cost report so that bill data may be used to substantiate the cost report. Medicare and non-Medicare charges for the same department must be reported consistently on the cost report. This means that the professional component is included on, or excluded from, the cost report for Medicare and non-Medicare charges. Where billing for the professional components is not consistent for all payers, i.e., where some payers require net billing and others require gross, the provider must adjust either net charges up to gross or gross charges down to net for cost report preparation. In such cases, it must adjust its provider statistical and reimbursement (PS&R) reports that it derives from the bill. Laboratory tests (revenue codes 0300-0319) are billed as net for outpatient or nonpatient bills because payment is based on the lower of charges for the hospital component or the fee schedule. The A/B MAC (A or HHH) determines, in consultation with the provider, whether the provider must bill net or gross for each revenue center other than laboratory. Where “gross” billing is used, the A/B MAC (A or HHH) adjusts interim payment rates to exclude payment for hospital-based physician services. The physician component must be billed to the carrier to obtain payment. All revenue codes requiring HCPCS codes and paid under a fee schedule are billed as net.

FL 48 - Noncovered Charges

Required. The total non-covered charges pertaining to the related revenue code in FL 42 are entered here.

FL 49 - (Untitled)

Not used. Data entered will be ignored.

Note: the “PAGE ____ OF ____” and CREATION DATE on line 23 should be reported on all pages of the UB-04.

FL 50A (Required), B (Situational), and C (Situational) - Payer Identification

If Medicare is the primary payer, the provider must enter “Medicare” on line A. Entering Medicare indicates that the provider has developed for other insurance and determined that Medicare is the primary payer. All additional entries across line A (FLs 51-55) supply information needed by the payer named in FL 50A. If Medicare is the secondary or tertiary payer, the provider identifies the primary payer on line A and enters Medicare information on line B or C as appropriate.

FL 51A (Required), B (Situational), and C (Situational) – Health Plan ID

Report the national health plan identifier when one is established; otherwise report the “number” Medicare has assigned.

FLs 52A, B, and C - Release of Information Certification Indicator

Required. A “Y” code indicates that the provider has on file a signed statement permitting it to release data to other organizations in order to adjudicate the claim. Required when state or federal laws do not supersede the HIPAA Privacy Rule by requiring that a signature be collected. An “I” code indicates Informed Consent to Release Medical Information for Conditions or Diagnoses Regulated by Federal Statutes. Required when the provider has not collected a signature and state or federal laws do not supersede the HIPAA Privacy Rule by requiring a signature be collected.

NOTE: The back of Form CMS-1450 contains a certification that all necessary release statements are on file.

FL 53A, B, and C - Assignment of Benefits Certification Indicator

Not used. Data entered will be ignored.

FLs 54A, B, and C - Prior Payments

Situational. Required when the indicated payer has paid an amount to the provider towards this bill.

FL 55A, B, and C - Estimated Amount Due From Patient

Not required.

FL 56 – Billing Provider National Provider ID (NPI)

Required on or after May 23, 2008.

FL 57 – Other Provider ID (primary, secondary, and/or tertiary)

Not used. Data entered will be ignored.

FLs 58A, B, and C - Insured's Name

Required. The name of the individual under whose name the insurance benefit is carried.

FL 59A, B, and C - Patient's Relationship to Insured

Required. If the provider is claiming payment under any of the circumstances described under FLs 58 A, B, or C, it must enter the code indicating the relationship of the patient to the identified insured, if this information is readily available.

Codes used for Medicare claims are available from Medicare contractors. Codes are also available from the NUBC (www.nubc.org) via the NUBC's Official UB-04 Data Specifications Manual.

FLs 60A (Required), B (Situational), and C (Situational) – Insured's Unique ID (Certificate/Social Security Number/*Medicare beneficiary identifier*)

The unique number assigned by the health plan to the insured.

FL 61A, B, and C - Insurance Group Name

Situational (required if known). Where the provider is claiming payment under the circumstances described in FLs 58A, B, or C and a Worker's Compensation (WC) or an Employer Group Health Plan (EGHP) is involved, it enters the name of the group or plan through which that insurance is provided.

FL 62A, B, and C - Insurance Group Number

Situational (required if known). Where the provider is claiming payment under the circumstances described in FLs 58A, B, or C and a WC or an EGHP is involved, it enters the identification number, control number or code assigned by that health insurance carrier to identify the group under which the insured individual is covered.

FL 63 - Treatment Authorization Code

Situational. Required when an authorization or referral number is assigned by the payer and then the services on this claim AND either the services on this claim were preauthorized or a referral is involved. Whenever Quality

Improvement Organization (QIO) review is performed for outpatient preadmission, pre-procedure, or Home IV therapy services, the authorization number is required for all approved admissions or services.

FL 64 – Document Control Number (DCN)

Situational. The control number assigned to the original bill by the health plan or the health plan's fiscal agent as part of their internal control.

FL 65 - Employer Name (of the Insured)

Situational. Where the provider is claiming payment under the circumstances described in the second paragraph of FLs 58A, B, or C and there is WC involvement or an EGHP, it enters the name of the employer that provides health care coverage for the individual identified on the same line in FL 58.