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Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
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Change Request 4189

SUBJECT: Change of Medicare Part A contractor in the State of Idaho, Oregon, and Utah from Regence Blue Cross and Blue Shield to Noridian Administrative Services

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: Regence Blue Cross and Blue Shield is not renewing its Part A Medicare Plan agreement (contractor number 00350)with the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association (BCBSA) for the States of Idaho, Oregon, and Utah. Noridian Administrative Services (NAS) will become the Part A Plan under contract with BCBSA for all three states effective December 1, 2005. CWF software changes and changes to FISS, CAFM, CAFMII, CERT, MIS, CROWD, CSAMS, DCS, ECRS, HIGLAS, MPaRTS, NGD, PIMR, PORS, PULSE, PECOS, REMAS and REMIS are needed to reflect the new contractor number. The new number for Noridian Part A is 00323.

NEW/REVISED MATERIAL

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 01, 2005

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 03, 2006

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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	

III. FUNDING:

No additional funding will be provided by CMS; Contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2006 operating budgets.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

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Attachment – One-Time Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: Regence Blue Cross and Blue Shield (Regence) is not renewing its Part A Medicare Plan agreement with the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association (BCBSA) for the States of Utah, Idaho, and Oregon. Noridian Administrative Services (NAS) will become the Part A Plan under contract with BCBSA for all three states effective December 1, 2005. There will be a new Part A Plan number for reporting the three state workload. The current contractor number for the Regence Part A Plan is 00350. The new contractor number effective December 1, 2005 for the Noridian combined Utah, Idaho, and Oregon workload is:

Noridian Part A: 00323

CWF software changes and changes to FISS, CAFM, CAFMII, CERT, CMIS, CROWD, CSAMS, DCS, ECRS, HIGLAS, MPaRTS, NGD, PIMR, PORS, PULSE, PECOS, REMAS, and REMIS are needed to reflect the new contractor number. While the 00323 number has been designated for the Noridian Part A workload covering the three states of Utah, Oregon, and Idaho, FISS shall initiate the necessary system changes to separate the Noridian Part A workload by state (online claims and claims in history) in order to facilitate the future movement of Utah, Oregon, and Idaho claims data to the appropriate MACs

The Business Segment Identifier for the Utah workload will be:

Utah Part A- UTA

The Business Segment Identifier for the Idaho workload will be:

Idaho Part A- IDA

The Business Segment Identifier for the Oregon workload will be:

Oregon Part A- ORA

The address associated with the new Part A number will remain:

200 S.W. Market Street

Portland, Oregon 97201

B. Policy: N/A

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement "Should" denotes an optional requirement

Requirement Number	Requirements	Responsibility ("X" indicates the columns that apply)					columns that apply)		
		F I	R C H a		D M E	Sha	Syste ners	m	Other
			I	r r i e r	R C	F I S S	V M S	C W F	
4189.1	FISS shall be modified to reflect the new Part A Plan number for Idaho, Oregon, and Utah.					X			
4189.2	This requirement has been removed from CR # 4189.								
4189.3	CWF shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.							X	
4189.4	CAFM shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.								CAFM
4189.5	CAFMII shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.								CAFMII
4189.6	CERT shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.								CERT
4189.7	CMIS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.								CMIS

Requirement Number	Requirements	Responsibility ("X" indicates the columns that apply)								
		F	R H	C	D M	Sha	red S intain	Syste ners	em	Other
			H I	r r i e r	E R C	F I S	M C S	V M S		
4189.8	CROWD shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									CROWD
4189.9	CSAMS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									CSAMS
4189.10	DCS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									DCS
4189.11	ECRS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									ECRS
4189.12	HIGLAS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									HIGLAS
4189.13	MPaRTS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									MPaRTS
4189.14	NGD shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									NGD
4189.15	PIMR shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									PIMR
4189.16	PORS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									PORS

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		F	R H	Ca	D M	Sha		Syste	m	
			H I	r r i e r	E - R C	F I S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
4189.17	PULSE shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									PULSE
4189.18	PECOS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									PECOS
4189.19	REMAS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									REMAS
4189.20	REMIS shall be modified to reflect the new contractor number.									REMIS

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION

Requirement	Requirements	Responsibility ("X" indicates the								
Number		columns that apply)								
		F	R H H I	C a r r i e r	D M E R C		mtain M C S	Systemers V M S	С	Other
4189.21	Both Regence and Noridian will inform Utah, Idaho, and Oregon providers about the change in Medicare contractor by posting transition information on their Web sites, contacting professional societies, mailing notifications, and conducting provider training workshops throughout Idaho, Oregon, and Utah. The change in the intermediary number will be communicated to all providers via the aforementioned.									Regence & Noridian

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION AND POSSIBLE DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A. Other Instructions: NA

X-Ref Requirement #	Instructions

B. Design Considerations: NA

X-Ref Requirement #	Recommendation for Medicare System Requirements

C. Interfaces: NA

D. Contractor Financial Reporting /Workload Impact: The combined Utah, Idaho, and Oregon Part A workload shall be reported using the new intermediary number effective December 1, 2005.

E. Dependencies: NA

F. Testing Considerations: NA

V. SCHEDULE, CONTACTS, AND FUNDING

Effective Date*: December 1, 2005	No additional funding will be
	provided by CMS; Contractor
Implementation Date: January 3, 2006	activities are to be carried out
	within their FY 2006 operating
Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Steve Felsenberg 410-786-62693	budgets.
Post-Implementation Contact(s): Steve Felsenberg	
410-786-62693	

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