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	<b>Change Request 7121</b>

SUBJECT: 2011 Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Annual Update Reminder

**I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:** The complete HCPCS file is updated and released annually to the Medicare contractors. The file contains existing, new, revised and discontinued codes for 2011. Contractors must download the file via the CMS mainframe in late October. The attached Recurring Update Notification applies to Chapter 23, Section 20.

**EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2011** 

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 3, 2011** 

Disclaimer for manual changes only: The revision date and transmittal number apply only to red italicized material. Any other material was previously published and remains unchanged. However, if this revision contains a table of contents, you will receive the new/revised information only, and not the entire table of contents.

**II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS:** (N/A if manual is not updated) R=REVISED, N=NEW, D=DELETED

R/N/D CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE
N/A

# III. FUNDING:

For Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs) and/or Carriers: No additional funding will be provided by CMS; contractor activities are to be carried out within their operating budgets.

# For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):

The Medicare Administrative Contractor is hereby advised that this constitutes technical direction as defined in your contract. CMS does not construe this as a change to the MAC Statement of Work. The contractor is not obligated to incur costs in excess of the amounts allotted in your contract unless and until specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer. If the contractor considers anything provided, as described above, to be outside the current scope of work, the contractor shall withhold performance on the part(s) in question and immediately notify the Contracting Officer, in writing or by e-mail, and request formal directions regarding continued performance requirements.

# IV. ATTACHMENT:

# **Recurring Update Notification**

\*Unless otherwise specified, the effective date is the date of service.

# **Attachment – Recurring Update Notification**

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# I. GENERAL INFORMATION

**A. Background:** Medicare providers submitting claims to Medicare contractors for Part B services use a HCPCS code to indicate the service that was rendered. The HCPCS consists of Level I codes, which are the American Medical Association's (AMA) Current Physician Terminology Codes (CPT-4), and Level II codes which are the alpha-numeric and maintained by CMS. The updated HCPCS file is released annually to Medicare contractors via CMS' mainframe telecommunication system.

**B. Policy:** This is our annual reminder that the 2011 HCPCS file and its print file will be made available via the CMS mainframe telecommunication system. The file may be retrieved after 8:00 p.m. Eastern time, on October 27, 2010.

The paper documentation which consists of a cover memorandum, HCPCS tape characteristics and record layout, and transaction lists printouts will be sent via U.S. Postal Service priority mail. The alpha-numeric index and the table of drugs will be posted to the CMS Web site by the end of October. The Web site address is <a href="http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HCPCSReleaseCodeSets/ANHCPCS/list.asp">http://www.cms.hhs.gov/HCPCSReleaseCodeSets/ANHCPCS/list.asp</a>.

# II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility									
		A	D	F	C	R		Shai	ed-		Other
		/	M	I	A	Н		Syst	em		
		В	E		R	Н	Maintainers				
					R	I	F	M	V	C	
		M	M		I		Ι	C	M	W	
		A	A		Е		S	S	S	F	
		C	C		R		S				
7121.1	Medicare contractors shall download the 2011 annual	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	
	HCPCS update from the CMS mainframe. The update										
	will be available after 8:00 p.m. Eastern time, on October										
	27, 2010.										
	<b>NOTE</b> : The new HCPCS update is effective for dates of										
	service on or after January 1, 2011.										

#### III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility									
		Α	D	F	С	R	R Shared-			Other	
		/	M	I	A	Н	System				
		В	Е		R	Н	Maintainers				
					R	I	F	M	V	С	
		M	M		I		I	C	M	W	
		A	A		Е		S	S	S	F	
		C	C		R		S				
	None.										

#### IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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

X-Ref	Recommendations or other supporting information:
Requirement	
Number	
	None

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

# V. CONTACTS

**Pre-Implementation Contact(s):** Vera A. Dillard (410) 786-6149, <u>Vera.dillard@cms.hhs.gov</u> for carrier claims processing issues and Antoinette Johnson (410) 786-9326, <u>Antionette.johnson@cms.hhs.gov</u> for fiscal intermediary claims processing issues.

Post-Implementation Contact(s): Appropriate Project Officer of Contractor Manager

# VI. FUNDING

Section A: For Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs), and/or Carriers, use only one of the following statements:

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

# Section B: For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs), include the following statement:

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# Instructions for the Retrieval of the 2011 HCPCS via CMS's Mainframe Telecommunications System (Formerly Network Data Mover)

Listed below are the most common problems encountered when carriers/ intermediaries receive data via the mainframe telecommunications system:

- Receipt was performed in interactive mode, rather than in batch. If transmission is performed interactively, it is impossible for the Division of Data Systems (DDS) to access the log to verify the transmission success/failure.
- Omission or change of NEWNAME parameter. Omission of this parameter makes it extremely difficult and cumbersome for DDS to access the log to verify transmission success/failure. Make sure that the NEWNAME parameter equals HCPCS.
- Omission or change of START parameter. This parameter establishes the starting time for the batch job. As stated earlier, transmission must occur during the evening hours. Setting the START to 20:00:00 hours assures that transmission will not commence prior to 8:00 p.m. eastern standard time.

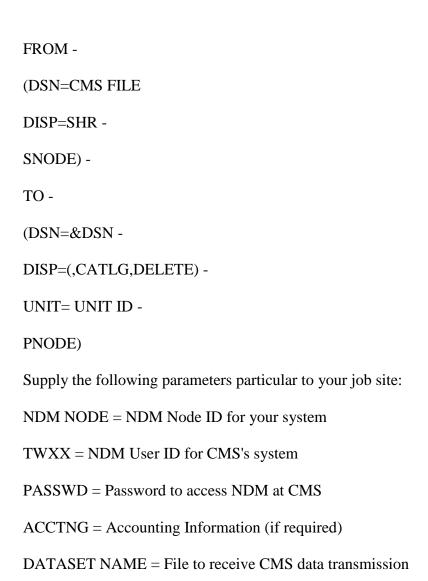
**NOTE:** In order not to incur additional transmission line cost, transmission must occur during the evening hours, specifically after 8:00 p.m., eastern standard time.

The following is the JCL required for setting up a mainframe telecommunications system transmission of the 2007 HCPCS file from the CMS's Data Center.

```
//UID#HCPC JOB (ACCTNG),'NAME',MSGCLASS=A,CLASS=C,
// MSGLEVEL=(1,1)
//DMBATCH EXEC PGM=DMBATCH,REGION=512K,PARM=(YYSLYNN)
//DMPUBLIB DD DSN= NDM.PROCESS.LIBRARY,DISP=SHR
//DMMSGFIL DD DSN= NDM.MESSAGE.LIBRARY,DISP=SHR
//DMNETMAP DD DSN= NDM.NETWORK.MAP,DISP=SHR
//DMPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSUDUMP DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSUDUMP DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSIN DD *
SIGNON USERID=(NDM USERID) -
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NODE= NDM NODE ID -
NETMAP= NDM NETWORK MAP
SUBMIT DSN= PROCESS LIBRARY MEMBER -
STARTT=(,20:00:00) -
NEWNAME=HCPCS
SIGNOFF
//
Prior to submitting this job, please supply the following parameters particular to your job site:
UID# = Your system User ID
ACCTNG = Accounting Information, if applicable
NAME = Programmer's Name
NDM.PROCESS.LIBRARY = NDM Process Library for your system
NDM.MESSAGE.LIBRARY = NDM Message Library for your system
NDM.NETWORK.MAP = NDM Network Map File for your system
NDM USERID = NDM User ID for your system
NDM NODE = NDM Node ID for your system
MEMBER = Member where the code for the NDM COPY (see below) is stored
Place the following code in your process library. This code will be executed from within the mainframe
telecommunications system to perform the copying of the 2007 HCPCS data from a file at the CMS's Data
Center to a file at your processing site.
HCPCS PROCESS PNODE= NDM NODE -
SNODE=NDM.HCFA -
SNODEID=(TWXX, PASSWD) -
PACCT= 'ACCTNG' -
&DSN= DATASET NAME
```

STEP01 COPY -



CMS FILE = P@HCP.@AAA2360.HCPC2011.CONTR (This is the 2011 HCPCS file comprised of procedure and modifier codes.) = P@HCP.@AAA2360.HCPC2011.PRINT (This is the Print file of the 2011 HCPCS; a utility may be used to produce a printed copy of the HCPCS.)