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## 1. Introduction

The purpose of this document is to inform submitters of an upcoming change to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Eligibility Transaction System (HETS) 270/271 application, which will be implemented with HETS 270/271 R2018Q300 Release.

## 2. Overview of Release

The HETS R2018Q300 Release introduces a change to the HETS 270 request.

The following section documents the details for the R2018Q300 change.

### 3. Summary of Impact on Trading Partners

#### 3.1 Modify Support for Historical Dates of Service

Effective with this release, HETS 270/271 will modify the allowable date span to support historical Dates of Services up to four years prior to the current system date. The revised allowable date span will be up to 4 years in the past and up to 4 months in the future, based on the date the transaction was received. If requests are outside of this range, the HETS 270/271 application will continue to return a AAA error in the 2100C Loop with a reject reason code of AAA03 = "62".

Eligibility requests submitted for the maximum allowable date span will take longer to process and return significantly more eligibility data on the 271 response. CMS urges HETS 270/271 Submitters to carefully consider which, if any, circumstances should 270 requests contain the maximum allowable date span. CMS discourages HETS Submitters from defaulting to the maximum allowable date span on all eligibility requests.

Table 1 illustrates the revised allowable request date ranges.

If the Current Month Is:	Historical Requests Are Valid Through:	Future Requests Are Valid Through:
January	January, 4 years ago	May of the current year
February	February, 4 years ago	June of the current year
March	March, 4 years ago	July of the current year
April	April, 4 years ago	August of the current year
May	May, 4 years ago	September of the current year
June	June, 4 years ago	October of the current year
July	July, 4 years ago	November of the current year
August	August, 4 years ago	December of the current year
September	September, 4 years ago	January of the following year
October	October, 4 years ago	February of the following year
November	November, 4 years ago	March of the following year
December	December, 4 years ago	April of the following year

#### Table 1 – Request Date Calendar

**Example**: If an eligibility request is sent on September 1, 2018, requests from September 1, 2014 through January 1, 2019 will be accepted.

# Appendix A. Record of Changes

Table 2 provides a summary of changes made to this document.

#### Table 2 - Document Revision History

Version	Date	Description of Changes
1.1	07/27/2018	Removed previous Section 3.2 from this document. Effective with the R2018Q300 release, HETS will continue to support PPV HCPCS codes 90670 and 90732 in the same manner that it does today.
1.0	6/10/2018	Base Version