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<b>Pub 100-17 Medicare Business Partners Systems Security</b>	<b>Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)</b>
<b>Transmittal 13307</b>	<b>Date: July 17, 2025</b>
	<b>Change Request 14014</b>

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The MACs shall review the updated BPSSM revision 15.1, which includes the updated MAC ARS to assess any impacts from the updates that have not already been addressed by the MAC. Should the MAC determine that additional resources or funding is necessary to meet any of the updated requirements in either the BPSSM or MAC ARS, they shall evaluate and document the workload required to meet the security requirements in their analysis.

**EFFECTIVE DATE: February 28, 2025**

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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.

<b>R/N/D</b>	<b>CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE</b>
R	100/100-17/100-17 Business Partners Systems Security Manual

**III. FUNDING:**

**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. ATTACHMENTS:**

**Business Requirements  
Manual Instruction**

# Attachment - Business Requirements

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## II. GENERAL INFORMATION

**A. Background:** This is an update to the existing BPSSM and the MAC ARS. The BPSSM provides clarification and support to various CMS security policies, standards guidelines and procedures. The MAC ARS is based on the **NIST Special Publication 800-53 Revision 5.1** and has been tailored for usage by the MACs.

**B. Policy:** This CR is to ensure compliance with the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) of 2014, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) requirements and guidance, and CMS policies, standards, guidelines and procedures.

## III. 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		F I S S	M C S	V M S	
14014.1	The MACs shall perform an analysis of BPSSM version 15.1 and the associated MAC ARS. Relationships with any affected subcontractors should be considered/included in the analysis and the impacts	X	X	X	X				

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14014.1.1	The contractors shall be in compliance with any requirements updated in the BPSSM and MAC ARS.	X	X	X	X				

#### IV. PROVIDER EDUCATION

None

**Impacted Contractors:** None

#### V. 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

#### VI. CONTACTS

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

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