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	Change Request 12441

SUBJECT: User Change Request (UCR) - Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) - Implement New Search Functionality for Reason Codes, Expert Claims Processing System (ECPS) and Medical Policy Parameters (MPP)

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This Change Request (CR) will implement changes requested in a User Change Request. FISS, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Service (CMS) and the Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) participated in an Analysis and Design CR to clarify the MAC needs and ensure FISS had sufficient information to develop a base design. Upon implementation, FISS will develop new functionality that allows the MACs to efficiently search within reason codes, ECPS events and MPPs for specific values.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2022 - Implement online PARMs and search processing; July 1, 2022 - Implement report processing
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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 4, 2022 - Implement online PARMs and search processing; July 5, 2022 - Implement report processing

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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	N/A

III. FUNDING:
For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs):
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IV. ATTACHMENTS:
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I.   GENERAL INFORMATION

A.   Background: Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) use a variety of tools to identify FISS reason codes, ECPS events and MPPs relative to specific values in common fields like procedure and diagnosis codes. Currently, users searching for specified values within ECPS Events, Value Sets, Reason Code files, and Medical Policy Parameters use the following methods:

 Random Sampling
 Manual Searches
 FISS 969 Report
 FISS 601 Report
 ECPS Event Search

Current methods used in searches may not produce full and/or accurate results from all files needed and can be time consuming for the users. This Change Request (CR) will implement a User request to create new functionality in FISS to execute searches from a new online screen and write the results to a new report.

B.   Policy: There are no policy impacts. This CR is an enhancement to the FISS system.

II.   BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
		A/B MAC			DME	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH	MAC	FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
12441.1	The contractor shall create three (3) new online PARMs screens available through Main Menu 05, Online PARM Update 6L, which will allow users to search ECPS Events, Value Sets, Medical Policy Parameters, and Reason Code Standard Narratives for					X				

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		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	H H H		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
	specified values.									
12441.1.1	The contractor shall create online PARMs that are formatted to allow different users to conduct multiple separate searches, using different types of criteria and specified values.					X				
12441.1.2	The contractor shall create an Online PARM Description Inquiry describing the fields and values to be used in each online PARM screen. The Online PARM Description Inquiry will be available thru PF8 from the online PARM.					X				
12441.1.3	The contractor shall create new reason codes for the new PARM screens for invalid entries or missing criteria.					X				
12441.2	The contractor shall create three (3) new batch jobs that will perform searches using the input value in the new online PARMs.					X				
12441.3	The contractor shall create three (3) new search output reports, one for each new online PARM screen.					X				
12441.3.1	The contractor shall enable new search output reports in a downloadable comma delimited file.					X				
12441.3.2	The contractor shall format the search output reports with the following key values: • User ID • Search Criteria • File Location					X				
12441.3.2 .1	The contractor shall format the search output reports with the following key values for search based on File Location of ECPS Events and Value Sets: • KEY • SEQ • STATUS • Value Set Name					X				

Number	Requirement	A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	• ECPS Event Name • Event Variable Number • Active/Inactive • Reason Code									
12441.3.2.2	The contractor shall format the search output reports with the following key values for search based on File Location of Reason Code Standard Narrative: • ST/LOC • Active/Inactive • Reason Code: EFF DT, CMS STD, EMC ST/LOC, HC ST/LOC					X				
12441.3.2.3	The contractor shall format the search output reports with the following key values for search based on File Location of Medical Policy Parameter: • Control Number • EFF DT • THRU DT • Reason Code					X				
12441.4	The contractor shall create a new job to reset the online PARMs after the reports are created.					X				
12441.5	The contractor shall span the effort to implement the new process.					X				
12441.5.1	The contractor shall deliver the new online PARM screen changes and search functionality with the April 2022 release.					X				
12441.5.2	The contractor shall deliver reporting functionality with the July 2022 release.					X				

III.   PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			DME MAC	CEDI
		A	B	HHH		
	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

Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Rita Hazlip, 410-786-5755 or Rita.Hazlip@cms.hhs.gov

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

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