

<b>CMS Manual System</b>	<b>Department of Health &amp; Human Services (DHHS)</b>
<b>Pub 100-04 Medicare Claims Processing</b>	<b>Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)</b>
<b>Transmittal 11172</b>	<b>Date: January 14, 2022</b>
	<b>Change Request 12567</b>

**SUBJECT: Quarterly Update to the National Correct Coding Initiative [NCCI] Procedure-to-Procedure [PTP] Edits, Version 28.1, Effective April 1, 2022**

**I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:** This is the quarterly update to the National Correct Coding Initiative (NCCI) Procedure-to-Procedure (PTP) edits. The attached recurring update notification applies to publication 100-04, chapter 23, section 20.9.

**EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2022**

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

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 4, 2022**

*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-Only One Per Row.

<b>R/N/D</b>	<b>CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE</b>
N/A	N/A

**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:**

**Recurring Update Notification**



Number	Requirement	Responsibility							
		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	
	<p>CCI) representatives shall access the file from the VDC in the same manner they downloaded the previous versions.</p> <p>The filenames for the regions are:</p> <p><b>Test File:</b></p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.MEEDITS.TEST01.V281</p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.CMPEDITS.TEST01.V281</p> <p><b>Final File:</b></p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.MEEDITS.FINAL01.V281</p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.CMPEDITS.FINAL01.V281</p>								
12567.2	<p>Contractors shall use the specific job control language in order to access Version 28.1 through the Network Data Mover and load the files into the system. The filenames for the contractors are:</p> <p><b>Test File:</b></p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.MEEDITS.TEST01.V281</p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.CMPEDITS.TEST01.V281</p> <p><b>Final File:</b></p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.MEEDITS.FINAL01.V281</p> <p>MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.CMPEDITS.FINAL01.V281</p>		X						VDC
12567.3	<p>The NCCI adds, deletes, and modifier indicator change lists shall be forthcoming from the NCCI contractor to CMS via electronic mail, on or about April 14, 2022. The contractors shall receive the</p>		X						

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		A	B	H H H		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
	change reports via Technical Direction from CMS prior to this version effective date.									
12567.4	Contractors shall maintain the NCCI and MEC file formats contained in publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, chapter 23, section 20.9.		X							
12567.5	Contractors shall not search their files either to retract payment or to retroactively pay claims.		X							
12567.6	Contractors shall adjust claims if they are brought to their attention.		X							
12567.7	If contractors foresee any problems with loading the CCI files, they shall load the files 2-3 days prior to the effective date (including weekends).		X							

### III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	C E D I
		A	B	H H H		
12567.8	Medicare Learning Network® (MLN): CMS will market provider education content through the MLN Connects® newsletter shortly after CMS releases the CR. MACs shall follow IOM Pub. No. 100-09 Chapter 6, Section 50.2.4.1 instructions for distributing the MLN Connects newsletter information to providers and link to relevant information on your website. You may supplement MLN content with your local information after we release the MLN Connects newsletter. Subscribe to the “MLN Connects” listserv to get MLN content notifications. You don’t need to separately track and report MLN content releases when you distribute MLN Connects newsletter content per the manual section referenced above.		X			

### IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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

*"Should" denotes a recommendation.*

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:
	N/A

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

**V. CONTACTS**

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

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