

CMS Manual System	Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
Pub 100-04 Medicare Claims Processing	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
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	Change Request 13316

SUBJECT: Quarterly Update to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) - October 2023 Update

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to amend payment files that were issued to contractors based upon the 2023 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) Final Rule. This recurring update notification applies to Publication (Pub.) 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, chapter 23, section 30.1.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023

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

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 2, 2023

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.*

R/N/D	CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE
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	C W F		
	Sales Price (ASP), etc.), and the entity for which it was received (i.e., include states, carrier numbers, quarter, and if Part A, Part B, or both).										
13316.3	Medicare contractors shall not search their files to retract payment for claims already paid or to retroactively pay claims. However, contractors shall adjust claims brought to their attention.	X	X	X							
13316.4	The contractors shall, in accordance with Pub 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, chapter 23, section 30.1, give providers a 30-day notice before implementing the changes identified in this Change Request.	X	X	X							
13316.5	The CMS shall notify the Common Working File (CWF) maintainer via e-mail when the MPFSDB files are available for downloading, along with the file names for the files below to facilitate duplicate billing edits: 1) Duplicate Radiology editing; 2) Duplicate Diagnostic editing; 3) Pathology editing, and; 4) Relative Value Units (RVU) and payment indicator files.										CMS
13316.5.1	The CWF shall compare the existing files to the new files and install any necessary changes.									X	

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility		
		A/B MAC	D M E	C E D

		A	B	H H H	M A C	I
13316.6	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	X	X		

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

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

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