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SUBJECT: Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) - Delete Obsolete Reason Codes - Part 4

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to remove logic that assigns obsolete reason codes in the FISS system and to delete records on the reason code file that do not have FISS logic to assign the code. This CR will update the program logic and remove the reason code file records. This CR is part 4 of an effort to remove all the obsolete reason codes identified through FISS research.

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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):

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:

One Time Notification

Attachment - One-Time Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to simplify FISS code by removing obsolete, unused reason codes. FISS is working on in-depth analysis of the contents of the Reason Code file. As a result, FISS has identified many obsolete reason codes that were never removed from the FISS program logic as well as reason codes that are on the FISS file that never had program logic to assign them. FISS met with CMS and the Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) to review their findings and it was agreed that the obsolete codes could be permanently removed from FISS.

This CR is the 4th in a series to update the FISS system by removing the logic that assigns deleted or long-term inactivated reason codes and update the reason code file to eliminate unneeded records.

B. Policy: There is no policy impact.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
13482.1	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code 31114. The CMS Standard for 31114 has been set to I since April 2013.					X				
13482.2	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code 31948. The reason code doesn't assign for dates of service on or after 10/01/2010.					X				
13482.3	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove					X				

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		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	reason code 32902. The CMS Standard for 32902 has been set to I since April 2010.									
13482.4	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code 99999. The CMS Standard for 99999 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.5	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code EXMPT. The CMS Standard for EXMPT has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.6	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code LEWIN. The CMS Standard for LEWIN has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.7	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code LVR04. The CMS Standard for LVR04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.8	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code NCOVD. The CMS Standard for NCOVD has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.9	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1324. The CMS Standard for W1324 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.10	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1325. The CMS Standard for W1325 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.11	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1326. The CMS					X				

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	Standard for W1326 has been set to I since April 2010.									
13482.12	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1327. The CMS Standard for W1327 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.13	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1328. The CMS Standard for W1328 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.14	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1329. The CMS Standard for W1329 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.15	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1434. The CMS Standard for W1434 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.16	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1436. The CMS Standard for W1436 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.17	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1437. The CMS Standard for W1437 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.18	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1438. The CMS Standard for W1438 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.19	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1439. The CMS Standard for W1439 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				

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		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
13482.20	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1440. The CMS Standard for W1440 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.21	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1441. The CMS Standard for W1441 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.22	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1442. The CMS Standard for W1442 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.23	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1485. The CMS Standard for W1485 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.24	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1486. The CMS Standard for W1486 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.25	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1487. The CMS Standard for W1487 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.26	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1488. The CMS Standard for W1488 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.27	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1489. The CMS Standard for W1489 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.28	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1490. The CMS					X				

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		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
	Standard for W1490 has been set to I since April 2010.									
13482.29	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1491. The CMS Standard for W1491 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.30	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1492. The CMS Standard for W1492 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.31	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1493. The CMS Standard for W1493 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.32	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1494. The CMS Standard for W1494 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.33	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W1504. The CMS Standard for W1504 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.34	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7A04. The CMS Standard for W7A04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.35	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7B04. The CMS Standard for W7B04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.36	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7C04. The CMS Standard for W7C04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				

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		A/B MAC			DME MAC	Shared-System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	HHH		FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	
13482.37	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7D04. The CMS Standard for W7D04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.38	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7E04. The CMS Standard for W7E04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.39	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7F04. The CMS Standard for W7F04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.40	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7G04. The CMS Standard for W7G04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.41	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7H04. The CMS Standard for W7H04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.42	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code W7I04. The CMS Standard for W7I04 has been set to I since April 2010.					X				
13482.43	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code E51#G. CWF deactivated the reason code in the July 2009 release.					X				
13482.44	FISS shall update the program logic to permanently remove reason code HCPDR. This was a 2010 hook reason code that is not active.					X				
13482.45	FISS shall use the utility created with CR 13245 to permanently delete the reason					X				

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	codes from the online reason code file.									
13482.46	FISS shall use the utility created with CR 13245 to permanently delete the reason code file record for reason codes with no FISS logic that assigns them. The reason codes are in Attachment A.					X				
13482.46.1	FISS shall distribute the updated control card, CTLRC011, with all reason code file deletes populated, and include instructions to run the utility when installing the release.					X				
13482.46.2	FISS shall make minor program changes, at their discretion, related to reason codes being deleted from the reason code file only.					X				
13482.47	The contractors shall check all regions for reason codes that were found in the FISS spreadsheet and are not present in any FISS test region. The reason codes are listed in the MAC BR tab of the attached spreadsheet.	X		X						
13482.47.1	The contractor shall manually delete (PF12) the reason codes if found in any test or production region.	X		X						

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

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

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		A	B	H H H		
	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

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

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