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	Change Request 13060

SUBJECT: ViPS Medicare System (VMS) - Increase Edit Code Maximum

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2023 - VMS Analysis, Design and Coding; January 1, 2024 - VMS Testing and Implementation

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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 Change Request (CR) will modify ViPS Medicare System (VMS) to increase the allowable number of entries on the Edit Code Description Table Screen (EDITCD) within the VMS Automated Parameter (VMAP) Claims Parameters (VMAP/4C) subsystem.

The Durable Medical Equipment Medicare Administrative Contractors (DME MACs) have reached the maximum limit of entries on the EDITCD table. To add new entries, the DME MACs are currently replacing edit codes that are no longer used. The Edit Code Description Table screen provides a place to establish Edit Codes used in other areas of VMS such as Automated Claims Examination System (ACES) or claim errors, and subsequently included in reporting for Medical Review (MR) and the Unified Program Integrity Contractors (UPICs).

This will include review of existing reports to identify those that are still being used and/or identify if any changes are needed. There was a previous UCR-CR11398 in April of 2020 that extended the table to 10,000; however, due to the increasing volume and refinement of Targeted Probe and Educate (TPE) reviews Jurisdiction C's table is close to capacity after removing Edit Codes no longer used.

B. Policy: There are no legislative or regulatory policies associated with this CR.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility													
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13060.1	The contractor shall make changes within the VMS Automated Parameter (VMAP) subsystem to expand the number of the entries allowed on the Edit Code Description Screen (EDITCD) to at least 30,000.							X		IDR					
13060.2	Contractors shall participate in Integrated Testing activities to support UAT.									IDR, VDC					

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13060.2.1	Contractors shall identify business requirements needed for VMS/integrated testing. Note: Existing VMS process for creating the report and comma delineated file for the IDR will be modified to generate new file.									IDR, VDC					
13060.2.2	VDC shall be responsible for sending new files to the IDR.									VDC					
13060.3	The Contractors shall participate in User Acceptance Testing (UAT) beginning December 4, 2023.				Х										
13060.4	The Contractors shall make themselves available for up to three (3) calls during the UAT to discuss any testing issues.				Х			Х		IDR, MIST					

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
			A/B		D	С
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				Η	Α	
					С	
	None					

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements: N/A

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref	Recommendations or other supporting information:
Requirement	
Number	

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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