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	<b>Change Request 13660</b>

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**I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:** The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to update the current processing of performance based adjustments (PBA) from the Kidney Care Choices (KCC) Model as noted in CR 12404. Additionally, to address the incorrect processing of the previously processed claims.

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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.*

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

**III. FUNDING:**

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**IV. ATTACHMENTS:**

**Demonstrations**

# Attachment - Demonstrations

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## **II. GENERAL INFORMATION**

**A. Background:** The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to update the current claims processing for performance based adjustments (PBA) from the Kidney Care Choices (KCC) Model. Currently, CR 12404 includes a business requirement (BR) which states that claims that are eligible for the PBA cannot be reprocessed based on the updates included in the Provider or Beneficiary file. However, claims were not processed correctly since July 1st, 2023 when PBA started implementation as the provider file included incorrect dates. CR 12802 is an automatic reprocessing CR for KCC Model, which also did not specify an Informational Unsolicited Response (IUR) for the PBA, therefore, this CR is updating the BR to ensure that PBA claims are processed properly.

**B. Policy:** Section 1115A of the Social Security Act (added by section 3021 of the Affordable Care Act) (42 U.S.C. 1315a) authorizes the CMS Innovation Center to test innovative payment and service delivery models that have the potential to lower Medicare, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) spending while maintaining or improving the quality of beneficiaries' care. Under the law, preference is to be given to selecting models that also improve coordination, efficiency and quality of health care services furnished to beneficiaries. Section 1899 of the Social Security Act establishes the Medicare Shared Savings Program, and authorizes CMS to share Medicare savings with participating accountable care organizations under certain circumstances.

## **III. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE**

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



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			
	<p><b>Special Note:</b>  <b>The report will be uploaded into CMS box account due to PII information. CMMI will provide the box link for the report to be uploaded.</b></p>											
13660.4	<p>Effective with provider alignment files processed on or after the implementation of the CR, the Contractor shall reprocess professional claims previously processed under the Kidney Care Choices (KCC) Kidney Care First (KCF) (Demonstration code 97) Model when a <b>provider record is retroactively adjusted</b>, i.e., no longer attributed to the Kidney Care Choices (KCC)</p> <p>Kidney Care First (KCF) (Demonstration code 97) Model Provider Alignment File, when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The DOS on the claim line is <b>not on or within</b> the provider's effective Start Date and End Date as indicated on the Provider's Alignment File OR</li> <li>The Provider's Effective End Date is equal to the Provider's Effective Start Date in the Provider Alignment File, (i.e., terminated).</li> <li>A provider is removed from the alignment file (provider's end date is equal to the provider's effective start date).</li> <li>An existing provider record has an update to the Effective Period or Part B Percentage.</li> </ul>						X					
13660.5	<p>Effective with provider alignment files processed on or after the implementation of the CR, the Contractor shall reprocess professional claims previously processed under the Kidney Care Choices (KCC) Kidney Care First (KCF) (Demonstration code 97) Model when a provider record is retroactively added to the Kidney Care Choices (KCC) Kidney Care First (KCF) (Demonstration code 97) Model Provider Alignment File, when:</p>						X					

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13660.6	The automatic adjustments shall be included on the CWF Unsolicited Response Claims Report (HBBRC009) and Unsolicited Response Excluded Report (H99RBURE) in the same section as the Kidney Care Choices (KCC) Kidney Care First (KCF) (Demonstration code 97) Model Provider's Quarterly Capitation Payment (QCP) (Benefit Type F).						X				
13660.7	Contractors shall use existing IURs, MCS reason code "O" and MCS discovery code "C".		X								

**IV. PROVIDER EDUCATION**

None

**Impacted Contractors:** None

**V. 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

## **VI. CONTACTS**

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

## **VII. FUNDING**

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