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Transmittal 1964	**Date: November 3, 2017**
	Change Request 9961

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SUBJECT: Fee For Service (FFS) Applications Upgrade Customer Information Control System (CICS) to Transaction Server (TS) v5.2

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is for the FFS contractors and Virtual Data Centers (VDCs) to upgrade their environments to CICS TS v5.2.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2018 - The effective date is the process date.
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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2, 2018

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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:

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I.   GENERAL INFORMATION

A.   Background: The Virtual Data Centers (VDCs) and the shared systems applications are currently running under CICS TS v4.2. Per the VDC's requirement to remain current, the VDCs are planning to upgrade to CICS TS v5.2. Therefore, the Shared System Maintainers are required to migrate their shared systems applications software to CICS TS v5.2 in cooperation with the VDC's upgrade.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Sevices is requesting the FFS contractors and VDCs to upgrade their environments and software applications to CICS TS v5.2.

B.   Policy: This CR does not involve any legislative or regulatory policies.

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	
9961.1	The contractor shall upgrade the shared systems Testing and Production environments to CICS TS v5.2 at the time the release is installed.									VDCs
9961.2	The contractor shall recompile and make modifications, if necessary, to applicable CICS programs utilizing the v5.2 pre-compiler into the various environments at the time of ALPHA, BETA, UAT and Production releases of applicable v5.2 compiled modules.					X	X	X	X	
9961.3	The contractor shall convert applicable internal CICS					X	X	X	X	STC, VDCs

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	regions to TS v5.2.									
9961.4	The contractor shall coordinate with the VDC for debugging tools, if in use, to ensure Time Sharing Option interface and support libraries are defined and populated for the new CICS TS version.					X	X		X	VDCs
9961.5	The contractor shall perform end to end testing for the CICS TS v5.2 upgrade based upon the impacted areas identified by the SSMs.	X	X	X	X					

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			DME MAC	CEDI
		A	B	HHH		
	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

Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Jeanne Helsley, 410-786-1470 or jeanne.helsley@cms.hhs.gov

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

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