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Transmittal 3903	Date: November 3, 2017
	Change Request 10218

SUBJECT: Annual Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (MPFS) Files Delivery and Implementation and Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database (MPFSDB) 2018 File Layout Manual

- **I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:** The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is do the following:
- 1. Provide instructions pertaining to the file names of the upcoming MPFS files, as well as direct Medicare contractors to download, test and be ready to implement in January.
- 2. Provide the annual file layout for Medicare A/B MACs (B) that includes the total fee schedule amount, related component parts, and payment policy indicators. This Recurring Update Notification applies to Chapter 23, Addendum.
- 3. Amend previously issued payment files in the event that technical errors are discovered or any other corrections are required as described in the annual MPFS Final Rule Correction Notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2018

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

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2, 2018

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
R	Chapter 23/ Addendum

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

Attachment - Recurring Update Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- **A. Background:** The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) releases recurring MPFS-related change requests each year that do the following:
- 1. Provides instructions pertaining to the file names of the upcoming MPFS files, as well as directs Medicare contractors to download, test and be ready to implement in January.
- 2. Provides the annual file layout for Medicare A/B MACs (B) that includes the total fee schedule amount, related component parts, and payment policy indicators. This Recurring Update Notification applies to Chapter 23, Addendum.
- 3. Amends previously issued payment files in the event that technical errors are discovered or any other corrections are required as described in the annual MPFS Final Rule Correction Notice.

The purpose of this CR is to consolidate these MPFS-related CR activities.

B. Policy: Contractors shall follow the instructions for retrieving the annual MPFS files as stated in Publication 100-04, Chapter 1, Section 30.3.12.1.2. This change request makes no change to policy. The annual file layout for 2018 is attached. In the event that corrections are required, those changes will be discussed in the annual MPFS Final Rule Corrections Notice.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
			A/B	,	D	,	Sha	red-		Other
		N	/AA	7)	M		Sys	tem		
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10218.1	As soon as the files are available (late October/early		X							VDC
	November), Medicare contractors shall download the									
	2018 MPFS files (including anesthesia) from the CMS									
	mainframe.									
10218.1.1	CMS shall provide the date regarding the availability									CMS
	of the annual 2018 MPFS files (including anesthesia)									

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
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	along with the file names through an email notification via the Part B Functional Workgroup.									
	NOTE : CMS will send the email notification as soon as the files are ready.									
10218.1.2	CMS shall notify CWF via email when the four files to facilitate duplicate billing edits: 1) Duplicate Diagnostic Editing, 2) Duplicate Radiology Editing, 3) Duplicate Pathology Editing and 4) RVU and Payment Indicator Files are available on the CMS mainframe.									CMS
10218.1.2	CWF shall compare the existing file to the new file and install any necessary changes.								X	
10218.1.3	Notification of successful receipt shall be sent via email to price_file_receipt@cms.hhs.gov stating the name of the file received and the entity for which it was received (e.g., Medicare contractor name and number).		X							VDC
10218.1.4	Medicare contractors shall download, test and be ready to implement the 2018 MPFS files on January 2, 2018 unless otherwise notified by CMS.		X							VDC
10218.1.5	Medicare contractors shall treat pricing data CONFIDENTIAL and shall not release/or publish fees on the web until notification is received from CMS regarding publication of the 2018 MPFS final rule.		X							
10218.2	CMS shall notify Medicare contractors when the 2018 MPFS final rule is put on display by email.									CMS
10218.3	Medicare contractors shall be in compliance with the instruction in Publication 100-04, Chapter 1, section 30.3.12.1.2.		X							
10218.4	Contractors shall recognize the 2018 MPFSDB file layout.		X							
10218.5	Contractors shall use the 2018 HCPCS file to view discontinued codes.		X							
10218.6	In the event that corrections are required and replacement payment files are issued, contractors shall retrieve the replacement payment files from the CMS mainframe.	X	X	X						VDC

Number	Requirement	Re	espo	nsil	bilit	lity					
		A/B MAC			D M E		Sys	red- tem aine		Other	
		A	В	H H H	M A C	F	M C S		С		
	Note: For Part A and HHH MACs, please refer to CR 10302 for information on related files.										
10218.6.1	CMS shall notify the contractors when the replacement files are available for retrieval, along with the file names through an email notification via the Part A and Part B Functional Workgroups.									CMS	
10218.6.2	Notification of successful receipt of the replacement files shall be sent via email to price_file_receipt@cms.hhs.gov stating the name of the file received and the entity for which it was received (e.g., Medicare contractor name and number).	X	X	X							
10218.6.3	Contractors shall be ready to implement these replacement files no later than January 2, 2018, unless otherwise directed by CMS.	X	X	X							
10218.6.4	The revised MPFS fees are effective January 1, 2018. Contractors shall disclose the revised MPFS fees on their Web sites as soon as possible, but no later than 10 business days after installing the replacement files into production.	X	X	X							
10218.6.5	CMS shall notify CWF via email when the new files to facilitate duplicate billing edits: 1) Duplicate Radiology editing; 2) Duplicate Diagnostic editing; 3) Duplicate Pathology editing, and; 4) RVU and payment indicator files are available on the CMS mainframe.									CMS	
10218.6.5	CWF shall compare the existing file to the new file and install any necessary changes.								X		

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
			A/B		D	С
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	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: N/A
Requirement	
Number	
	N/A

Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

V. CONTACTS

Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Donta Henson, 410-786-1947 or donta.henson1@cms.hhs.gov

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

VI. FUNDING

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ATTACHMENTS: 0

Addendum - MPFSDB Record Layouts

Rev.3903, Issued: 11-03-17; Effective: 01-01-18; Implementation: 01-02-18

The CMS MPFSDBs include the total fee schedule amount, related component parts, and payment policy indicators.

2018 File Layout

HEADER RECORD

FIELD#	DATA ELEMENT NAME	LOCATION	PIC
1	Header ID	1-4	x(4) Value "Head"
2	Header Number	5	x(1)
3	Data Set Name	6-50	x(45)
4	Record Length	51-53	x(3)
5	Filler	54-54	x(1)
6	Block size	55-58	x(4)
7	Filler	59-59	x(1)
8	Number of Records Number does not include this header record.	60-69	9(10)
9	Date Created	70-77	x(8) YYYYMMDD
10	Blanks	78-345	x(268)

FILE LAYOUT

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
1	4 Pic x(4)
File Year	
This field displays the effective year of the file.	
2	5 Pic x(5)
A/B MAC (B) Number	
This field represents the 5-digit number assigned to the A/B MAC	
(B).	
3	2 Pic x(2)
Locality	
This 2-digit code identifies the pricing locality used.	
4	5 Pic x(5)
HCPCS Code	
This field represents the procedure code. Each A/B MAC (B)	

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
Procedural Terminology (CPT) code and alpha-numeric HCPCS codes other than B, C, E, K and L codes will be included. The standard sort for this field is blanks, alpha, and numeric in ascending order.	
5	2 Pic x(2)
Modifier	
For diagnostic tests, a blank in this field denotes the global service and the following modifiers identify the components: 26 = Professional component TC = Technical component	
For services other than those with a professional and/or technical component, a blank will appear in this field with one exception: the presence of CPT modifier -53 which indicates that separate Relative Value Units (RVUs) and a fee schedule amount have been established for procedures which the physician terminated before	
completion. This modifier is used only with colonoscopy through stoma code 44388, colonoscopy code 45378 and screening colonoscopy codes G0105 and G0121. Any other codes billed with modifier -53 are subject to medical review and priced by individual consideration.	
Modifier-53 = Discontinued Procedure - Under certain circumstances, the physician may elect to terminate a surgical or diagnostic procedure. Due to extenuating circumstances, or those that threaten the well being of the patient, it may be necessary to indicate that a surgical or diagnostic procedure was started but discontinued.	
6	50 Pic x(50)
Descriptor This field will include a brief description of each procedure code.	
7 Code Status This 1 position field provides the status of each code under the full	1 Pic x(1)
fee schedule. Each status code is explained in §30.2.2.	
8	8 Pic 9(4)v9999
Conversion Factor	
This field displays the multiplier which transforms relative values into payment amounts. The file will contain the 2018 conversion factor which will reflect all adjustments.	
9	6 Pic 9(2)v9999
Update Factor This update factor has been included in the conversion factor in Field 8.	
10	9 Pic 9(7)v99
Work Relative Value Unit	
This field displays the unit value for the physician work RVU.	
11	9 Pic 9(7)v99
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FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
Filler	
12	9 Pic 9(7)v99
Malpractice Relative Value Unit	
This field displays the unit value for the malpractice expense RVU.	
13	5 Pic 99v999
Work Geographic Practice Cost Indices (GPCIs)	
This field displays a work geographic adjustment factor used in computing the fee schedule amount.	
14	5 Pic 99v999
Practice Expense GPCI	
This field displays a practice expense geographic adjustment factor used in computing the fee schedule amount.	
15	5 Pic 99v999
Malpractice GPCI	
This field displays a malpractice expense geographic adjustment factor used in computing the fee schedule amount.	
16	3 Pic x(3)
Global Surgery	
This field provides the postoperative time frames that apply to payment for each surgical procedure or another indicator that describes the applicability of the global concept to the service.	
000 = Endoscopic or minor procedure with related preoperative and postoperative relative values on the day of the procedure only included in the fee schedule payment amount; evaluation and management services on the day of the procedure generally not payable.	
010 = Minor procedure with preoperative relative values on the day of the procedure and postoperative relative values during a 10-day postoperative period included in the fee schedule amount; evaluation and management services on the day of the procedure and during this 10-day postoperative period generally not payable.	
090 = Major surgery with a 1-day preoperative period and 90-day postoperative period included in the fee schedule payment amount.	
MMM = Maternity codes; usual global period does not apply.	
XXX = Global concept does not apply.	
YYY = A/B MAC (B) determines whether global concept applies and establishes postoperative period, if appropriate, at time of pricing.	
ZZZ = Code related to another service and is always included in the global period of the other service. (Note: Physician work is associated with intra-service time and in some instances the post service time.)	
17	6 Pic 9v9(5)
Preoperative Percentage (Modifier 56)	
This field contains the percentage (shown in decimal format) for the preoperative portion of the global package. For example, 10 percent	

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
will be shown as 010000. The total of fields 17, 18, and 19 will usually equal one. Any variance is slight and results from rounding.	
18	6 Pic 9v9(5)
Intraoperative Percentage (Modifier 54)	
This field contains the percentage (shown in decimal format) for the intraoperative portion of the global package including postoperative work in the hospital. For example, 63 percent will be shown as 063000. The total of fields 17, 18, and 19 will usually equal one. Any variance is slight and results from rounding.	
19	6 Pic 9v9(5)
Postoperative Percentage (Modifier 55)	
This field contains the percentage (shown in decimal format) for the postoperative portion of the global package that is provided in the office after discharge from the hospital. For example, 17 percent will be shown as 017000. The total of fields 17, 18, and 19 will usually equal one. Any variance is slight and results from rounding.	
20	1 Pic x(1)
Professional Component (PC)/Technical Component (TC) Indicator	
0 = Physician service codes: This indicator identifies codes that describe physician services. Examples include visits, consultations, and surgical procedures. The concept of PC/TC does not apply since physician services cannot be split into professional and technical components. Modifiers 26 & TC cannot be used with these codes. The total Relative Value Units (RVUs) include values for physician work, practice expense and malpractice expense. There are some codes with no work RVUs.	
1 = Diagnostic tests or radiology services: This indicator identifies codes that describe diagnostic tests, e.g., pulmonary function tests, or therapeutic radiology procedures, e.g., radiation therapy. These codes generally have both a professional and technical component. Modifiers 26 and TC can be used with these codes.	
The total RVUs for codes reported with a 26 modifier include values	
for physician work, practice expense, and malpractice expense. The total RVUs for codes reported with a TC modifier include values for practice expense and malpractice expense only. The total RVUs for codes reported without a modifier equals the sum of RVUs for both the professional and technical component.	
2 = Professional component only codes: This indicator identifies stand alone codes that describe the physician work portion of selected diagnostic tests for which there is an associated code that describes the technical component of the diagnostic test only and another associated code that describes the global test.	
An example of a professional component only code is 93010, Electrocardiogram; interpretation and report. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes. The total RVUs for professional component only codes include values for physician work, practice expense, and malpractice expense.	
3 = Technical component only codes: This indicator identifies stand alone codes that describe the technical component (i.e., staff and	

FIELD # & ITEM LENGTH & PIC

equipment costs) of selected diagnostic tests for which there is an associated code that describes the professional component of the diagnostic tests only.

An example of a technical component code is 93005, Electrocardiogram, tracing only, without interpretation and report. It also identifies codes that are covered only as diagnostic tests and therefore do not have a related professional code. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes.

The total RVUs for technical component only codes include values for practice expense and malpractice expense only.

- 4 = Global test only codes: This indicator identifies stand alone codes for which there are associated codes that describe: a) the professional component of the test only and b) the technical component of the test only. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes. The total RVUs for global procedure only codes include values for physician work, practice expense, and malpractice expense. The total RVUs for global procedure only codes equals the sum of the total RVUs for the professional and technical components only codes combined.
- 5 = Incident to codes: This indicator identifies codes that describe services covered incident to a physicians service when they are provided by auxiliary personnel employed by the physician and working under his or her direct supervision.

Payment may not be made by A/B MACs (B) for these services when they are provided to hospital inpatients or patients in a hospital outpatient department. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes.

- 6 = Laboratory physician interpretation codes: This indicator identifies clinical laboratory codes for which separate payment for interpretations by laboratory physicians may be made. Actual performance of the tests is paid for under the lab fee schedule. Modifier TC cannot be used with these codes. The total RVUs for laboratory physician interpretation codes include values for physician work, practice expense and malpractice expense.
- 7 = Private practice therapist's service: Payment may not be made if the service is provided to either a hospital outpatient or a hospital inpatient by a physical therapist, occupational therapist, or speechlanguage pathologist in private practice.
- 8 = Physician interpretation codes: This indicator identifies the professional component of clinical laboratory codes for which separate payment may be made only if the physician interprets an abnormal smear for hospital inpatient. This applies only to code 85060. No TC billing is recognized because payment for the underlying clinical laboratory test is made to the hospital, generally through the PPS rate.

No payment is recognized for code 85060 furnished to hospital outpatients or non-hospital patients. The physician interpretation is paid through the clinical laboratory fee schedule payment for the clinical laboratory test.

9 = Concept of a professional/technical component does not apply.

FIELD # & ITEM **LENGTH & PIC** 21 1 Pic (x)1 Multiple Procedure (Modifier 51) Indicator indicates which payment adjustment rule for multiple procedures applies to the service. 0 = No payment adjustment rules for multiple procedures apply. If procedure is reported on the same day as another procedure, base payment on the lower of: (a) the actual charge or (b) the fee schedule amount for the procedure. 1 = Standard payment adjustment rules in effect before January 1, 1996, for multiple procedures apply. In the 1996 MPFSDB, this indicator only applies to codes with procedure status of "D." If a procedure is reported on the same day as another procedure with an indicator of 1,2, or 3, rank the procedures by fee schedule amount and apply the appropriate reduction to this code (100 percent, 50 percent, 25 percent, 25 percent, and by report). Base payment on the lower of: (a) the actual charge or (b) the fee schedule amount reduced by the appropriate percentage. 2 = Standard payment adjustment rules for multiple procedures apply. If procedure is reported on the same day as another procedure with an indicator of 1, 2, or 3, rank the procedures by fee schedule amount and apply the appropriate reduction to this code (100 percent, 50 percent, 50 percent, 50 percent, and by report). Base payment on the lower of: (a) the actual charge or (b) the fee schedule amount reduced by the appropriate percentage. 3 = Special rules for multiple endoscopic procedures apply if procedure is billed with another endoscopy in the same family (i.e., another endoscopy that has the same base procedure). The base procedure for each code with this indicator is identified in field 31G. Apply the multiple endoscopy rules to a family before ranking the family with other procedures performed on the same day (for example, if multiple endoscopies in the same family are reported on the same day as endoscopies in another family or on the same day as a non-endoscopic procedure). If an endoscopic procedure is reported with only its base procedure, do not pay separately for the base procedure. Payment for the base procedure is included in the payment for the other endoscopy. 4 = Subject to 25% reduction of the TC diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2010). Subject to 50% reduction of the TC diagnostic imaging (effective for services July 1, 2010 and after). Subject to 25% reduction of the PC of diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2016). Subject to 5% reduction of the PC of diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2017 and after). 5 = Subject to 20% reduction of the practice expense component for certain therapy services furnished in office and other non-institutional settings, and 25% reduction of the practice expense component for certain therapy services furnished in institutional settings (effective for services January 1, 2011 and after). Subject to 50% reduction of the practice expense component for certain therapy services furnished in both institutional and non-institutional settings (effective for services

April 1, 2013 and after).

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
6 = Subject to 25% reduction of the TC diagnostic cardiovascular services (effective for services January 1, 2013 and after). 7 = Subject to 20% reduction of the TC diagnostic ophthalmology services (effective for services January 1, 2013 and after). 9 = Concept does not apply.	
22	1 Pic (x)1
Bilateral Surgery Indicator (Modifier 50)	111c (x)1
This field provides an indicator for services subject to a payment adjustment.	
0 = 150 percent payment adjustment for bilateral procedures does not apply. If procedure is reported with modifier -50 or with modifiers RT and LT, base payment for the two sides on the lower of: (a) the total actual charge for both sides or (b) 100 percent of the fee schedule amount for a single code. Example: The fee schedule amount for code XXXXX is \$125. The physician reports code XXXXX-LT with an actual charge of \$100 and XXXXX-RT with an actual charge of \$100.	
Payment would be based on the fee schedule amount (\$125) since it is lower than the total actual charges for the left and right sides (\$200).	
The bilateral adjustment is inappropriate for codes in this category because of (a) physiology or anatomy or (b) because the code descriptor specifically states that it is a unilateral procedure and there is an existing code for the bilateral procedure.	
1 = 150 percent payment adjustment for bilateral procedures applies. If code is billed with the bilateral modifier or is reported twice on the same day by any other means (e.g., with RT and LT modifiers or with a 2 in the units field), base payment for these codes when reported as bilateral procedures on the lower of: (a) the total actual charge for both sides or (b) 150 percent of the fee schedule amount for a single code.	
If code is reported as a bilateral procedure and is reported with other procedure codes on the same day, apply the bilateral adjustment before applying any applicable multiple procedure rules.	
2 = 150 percent payment adjustment for bilateral procedure does not apply. RVUs are already based on the procedure being performed as a bilateral procedure. If procedure is reported with modifier -50 or is reported twice on the same day by any other means (e.g., with RT and LT modifiers with a 2 in the units field), base payment for both sides on the lower of (a) the total actual charges by the physician for both sides or (b) 100 percent of the fee schedule amount for a single code.	
Example: The fee schedule amount for code YYYYY is \$125. The physician reports code YYYYY-LT with an actual charge of \$100 and YYYYY-RT with an actual charge of \$100. Payment would be based on the fee schedule amount (\$125) since it is lower than the total actual charges for the left and right sides (\$200).	
The RVUs are based on a bilateral procedure because: (a) the code descriptor specifically states that the procedure is bilateral; (b) the code descriptor states that the procedure may be performed either	

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
unilaterally or bilaterally; or (c) the procedure is usually performed as a bilateral procedure. 3 = The usual payment adjustment for bilateral procedures does not apply. If procedure is reported with modifier -50 or is reported for both sides on the same day by any other means (e.g., with RT and LT modifiers or with a 2 in the units field), base payment for each side or organ or site of a paired organ on the lower of: (a) the actual charge for each side or (b) 100% of the fee schedule amount for each side. If procedure is reported as a bilateral procedure and with other procedure codes on the same day, determine the fee schedule amount for a bilateral procedure before applying any applicable multiple procedure rules. Services in this category are generally radiology procedures or other diagnostic tests which are not subject to the special payment rules for other bilateral procedures.	
9 = Concept does not apply.	
Assistant at Surgery This field provides an indicator for services where an assistant at surgery is never paid for per IOM. 0 = Payment restriction for assistants at surgery applies to this procedure unless supporting documentation is submitted to establish medical necessity. 1 = Statutory payment restriction for assistants at surgery applies to this procedure. Assistant at surgery may not be paid. 2 = Payment restriction for assistants at surgery does not apply to this procedure. Assistant at surgery may be paid. 9 = Concept does not apply.	1 Pic (x)1
Co-Surgeons (Modifier 62) This field provides an indicator for services for which two surgeons, each in a different specialty, may be paid. 0 = Co-surgeons not permitted for this procedure. 1 = Co-surgeons could be paid; supporting documentation required to establish medical necessity of two surgeons for the procedure. 2 = Co-surgeons permitted; no documentation required if two specialty requirements are met. 9 = Concept does not apply.	1 Pic (x)1
Team Surgeons (Modifier 66) This field provides an indicator for services for which team surgeons may be paid. 0 = Team surgeons not permitted for this procedure. 1 = Team surgeons could be paid; supporting documentation required to establish medical necessity of a team; pay by report. 2 = Team surgeons permitted; pay by report. 9 = Concept does not apply.	1 Pic (x)1

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31CC	1Pic x(1)
Imaging Cap Indicator	
A value of "1" means subject to OPPS payment cap determination.	
A value of "9" means not subject to OPPS payment cap determination.	
31BB	9Pic(7)v99
Non-Facility Imaging Payment Amount	
31AA	9Pic(7)v99
Facility Imaging Payment Amount	
31A	2 Pic x(2)
Physician Supervision of Diagnostic Procedures	` ′
This field is for use in post payment review.	
01 = Procedure must be performed under the general supervision of a physician.	
02 = Procedure must be performed under the direct supervision of a physician.	
03 = Procedure must be performed under the personal supervision of a physician.	
04 = Physician supervision policy does not apply when procedure is furnished by a qualified, independent psychologist or a clinical	

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psychologist; otherwise must be performed under the general supervision of a physician.	
05 = Not subject to supervision when furnished personally by a qualified audiologist, physician or non physician practitioner. Direct supervision by a physician is required for those parts of the test that may be furnished by a qualified technician when appropriate to the circumstances of the test.	
06 = Procedure must be personally performed by a physician or a physical therapist (PT) who is certified by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS) as a qualified electrophysiological clinical specialist and is permitted to provide the procedure under State law. Procedure may also be performed by a PT with ABPTS certification without physician supervision.	
21 = Procedure may be performed by a technician with certification under general supervision of a physician; otherwise must be performed under direct supervision of a physician. Procedure may also be performed by a PT with ABPTS certification without physician supervision.	
22 = May be performed by a technician with on-line real-time contact with physician.	
66 = May be personally performed by a physician or by a physical therapist with ABPTS certification and certification in this specific procedure.	
6A = Supervision standards for level 66 apply; in addition, the PT with ABPTS certification may personally supervise another PT, but only the PT with ABPTS certification may bill.	
77 = Procedure must be performed by a PT with ABPTS certification (TC & PC) or by a PT without certification under direct supervision of a physician (TC & PC), or by a technician with certification under general supervision of a physician (TC only; PC always physician).	
7A = Supervision standards for level 77 apply; in addition, the PT with ABPTS certification may personally supervise another PT, but only the PT with ABPTS certification may bill.	
09 = Concept does not apply.	
This field has been deleted to allow for the expansion of field 31A.	
31C Facility Setting Practice Expense Relative Value Units	9 Pic(7)v99
31D Non-Facility Setting Practice Expense Relative Value Units	9 Pic(7)v99
31E	9 Pic(7)v99
Filler	
31F	1 Pic x(1)
Filler	
Reserved for future use.	
31G	5 Pic x(5)

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Endoscopic Base Codes	
This field identifies an endoscopic base code for each code with a multiple surgery indicator of 3.	
32A	9 Pic 9(7)v99
1996 Transition/Fee Schedule Amount	
This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain a zero.	
32B	1 Pic x(1)
1996 Transition/Fee Schedule	, ,
This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain spaces.	
32C	9 Pic 9(7)v99
1996 Transition/Fee Schedule Amount When Site or Service Differential Applies	
This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain a zero.	
33A	1 Pic x(1)
Units Payment Rule Indicator	, ,
Reserved for future use.	
9 = Concept does not apply.	
33B	1 Pic x(1)
Mapping Indicator	, ,
This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain spaces.	
33C	2 Pic x(2)
Purchased Diagnostic Locality—Informational Use—Locality used for reporting utilization of purchased diagnostic services.	
NOT FOR A/B MAC (B) USE: These Medicare Advantage	
encounter pricing localities are for EDS purposes only. The locality values were developed to facilitate centralized processing of encounter data by the Medicare Advantage organizations.	
33D	1 Pic x(1)
Calculation Flag	
This field is informational only; the SSMs do not need to add this field. The intent is to assist A/B MACs (B) to understand how the fee schedule amount in fields 28 and 29 are calculated. The MMA mandates an additional adjustment to selected HCPCS codes. A value of "1" indicates an additional fee schedule adjustment of 1.32 in 2004 and 1.03 in 2005. A value of "0" indicates no additional adjustment needed. A value of "2" indicates an additional fee schedule adjustment of 1.05 effective 7/1/2008.	
33 E	2Pic x(2)
Diagnostic Imaging Family Indicator For services effective January 1, 2011, and after, family indicators 01 - 11 will not be populated.	

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01 = Family 1 Ultrasound (Chest/Abdomen/Pelvis – Non Obstetrical 02 = Family 2 CT and CTA (Chest/Thorax/Abd/Pelvis)	
03 = Family 3 CT and CTA (Head/Brain/Orbit/Maxillofacial/Neck)	
04 = Family 4 MRI and MRA (Chest/Abd/Pelvis)	
05 = Family 5 MRI and MRA (Head/Brain/Neck)	
06 = Family 6 MRI and MRA (spine)	
07 = Family 7 CT (spine)	
08 = Family 8 MRI and MRA (lower extremities)	
09 = Family 9 CT and CTA (lower extremities)	
10 = Family 10 Mr and MRI (upper extremities and joints)	
11 = Family 11 CT and CTA (upper extremities)	
88 = Subject to the reduction of the TC diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2011, and after). Subject to the reduction of the PC diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2012 and after). 99 = Concept Does Not Apply	
	1.00
33F	1 Pic x (1)
Performance Payment Indicator	
(For future use)	
33G	3 Pic x (3)
National Level Future Expansion	
34	9 Pic 9(7)v99
Non-Facility Fee Schedule Amount	
This field replicates field 28.	
35	9 Pic 9(7)v99
Facility Fee Schedule Amount	
This field replicates field 29.	
36	1 Pic x(1)
Filler	
37	7 Pic x(7)
Future Local Level Expansion**	()
The Updated 1992 Transition Amount was previously stored in this field. A/B MACs (B) can continue to maintain the updated transition amount in this field.	
38A	7 Pic x(7)
Future Local Level Expansion**	
The adjusted historical payment basis (AHPB) was previously stored in this field. A/B MACs (B) can continue to maintain the AHPB in this field.	
38 B	8 Pix x(8)
Filler	
This field was originally established for 15 spaces. Since AHPB data will only use 7 of the 15 spaces, A/B MACs (B) have 8 remaining spaces for their purposes.	

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** These fields will be appended by each A/B MAC (B) at the local level.	