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Transmittal 3925	Date: November 21, 2017
	<b>Change Request 10309</b>

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SUBJECT: Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for January 2018

**I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:** This purpose of this Change Request (CR) announces the changes that will be included in the January 2018 quarterly release of the edit module for clinical diagnostic laboratory services. This Recurring Update Notification applies to Chapter 16, Section 120.2, Publication 100-04.

## EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2017 - - Unless otherwise noted

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

**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:**

**Recurring Update Notification** 

# **Attachment - Recurring Update Notification**

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## I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- **A. Background:** This transmittal announces the changes that will be included in the January 2018 quarterly release of the edit module for clinical diagnostic laboratory services. The National Coverage Determinations (NCDs) for clinical diagnostic laboratory services were developed by the laboratory negotiated rulemaking committee, and the final rule was published on November 23, 2001. Nationally uniform software was developed and incorporated in the Medicare shared systems so that laboratory claims subject to one of the 23 NCDs (Publication 100-03, Sections 190.12 190.34) were processed uniformly throughout the nation effective April 1, 2003.
- **B.** Policy: In accordance with Chapter 16, §120.2, Publication 100-04, the laboratory edit module is updated quarterly as necessary to reflect ministerial coding updates and substantive changes to the NCDs developed through the NCD process. The changes are a result of coding analysis decisions developed under the procedures for maintenance of codes in the negotiated NCDs and biannual updates of the International Classification of Diseases, Tenth Revision, Clinical Modification (ICD-10-CM) codes. This instruction communicates requirements to Shared System Maintainers (SSMs) and contractors notifying them of changes to the laboratory edit module to update it for changes in laboratory NCD code lists for January 2018. Please access the link below for the NCD spreadsheets included with this change request:

https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coverage/DeterminationProcess/downloads/CR207300-January2018.zip

## II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility																	
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10309.1	The module developer shall provide the revised									FU Associates									
	software as a mainframe (i.e., load module) to CMS to																		
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10309.2	The SSMs shall install the edit module after testing and distribute it to the contractors as part of their routine release.					X	X				
10309.3	Contractors shall adjust claims brought to their attention. Contractors do not need to search their files either to retract payment for claims already paid or retroactively pay claims.	X	X								
10309.4	The module developer shall add ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Urine Culture, Bacterial (190.12) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.4.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Urine Culture, Bacterial (190.12) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.5	The module developer shall add ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Testing (Diagnosis) (190.14) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.5.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Testing (Diagnosis) (190.14) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.5.2	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Testing (Diagnosis) (190.14) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.6	The module developer shall add ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that "Do Not Support Medical Necessity" for the Blood Counts (190.15) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.6.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that "Do Not									FU Associates	

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10309.6.2	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective December 31, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are not medically necessary for the Blood Counts (190.15) NCD.									FU Associates				
10309.6.3	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Blood Counts (190.15) NCD.									FU Associates				
10309.7	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes listed provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) (190.16) NCD.									FU Associates				
10309.7.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) (190.16) NCD.									FU Associates				
10309.7.2	The module developer shall delete ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective December 31, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) (190.16) NCD.									FU Associates				
10309.7.3	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) (190.16) NCD.									FU Associates				
10309.8	The module developer shall add ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Prothrombin Time (PT) (190.17) NCD.									FU Associates				
10309.8.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10-CM codes provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Prothrombin Time (PT) (190.17)									FU Associates				

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	the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by												
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10309.8.3	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates			
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10309.9	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates			
	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the												
	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare												
	for the Serum Iron Studies (190.18) NCD.												
10309.9.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates			
	provided in the link effective September 30, 2017												
	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by												
	Medicare for the Serum Iron Studies (190.18) NCD.												
10309.9.2	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates			
	provided in the link effective September 30, 2017												
	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by												
	Medicare for the Serum Iron Studies (190.18) NCD.												
10309.10	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates			
	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the												
	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare												
	for the Collagen Crosslinks, Any Method (190.19) NCD.												
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10309.10.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates			
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	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Collagen Crosslinks, Any Method												
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10309.11	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates			
	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare												
	for the Blood Glucose Testing (190.20B) NCD.												

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10309.11. 1	This requirement has been deleted.									FU Associates	
10309.11.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective December 31, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Blood Glucose Testing (190.20B) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.11.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Blood Glucose Testing (190.20B) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.11. 4	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Blood Glucose Testing (190.20B) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.12	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Glycated Hemoglobin/Glycated Protein (190.21) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.12.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Glycated Hemoglobin/Glycated Protein (190.21) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.12. 2	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Glycated Hemoglobin/Glycated Protein (190.21) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.13	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Thyroid Testing (190.22) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.13.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Thyroid Testing (190.22) NCD.									FU Associates	

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10309.14	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates										
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	for the Lipids Testing (190.23A) NCD.																			
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10309.14.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM codes			Ī						FU Associates										
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	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by																			
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10309.14.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates										
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10309.14.	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates										
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	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare																			
	for the Lipids Testing (190.23A) NCD.																			
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10309.15	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates										
	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the																			
	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare																			
	for the Lipids Testing (190.23B) NCD.																			
10309.15.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates										
1	provided in the link effective September 30, 2017																			
	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by																			
	Medicare for the Lipids Testing (190.23B) NCD.																			
10309.15.	The module developer shall delete ICD 10 CM code		<del>                                     </del>							FU Associates										
10309.13.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017									FU Associates										
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	Medicare for the Lipids Testing (190.23B) NCD.																			
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10309.16	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates										
10007120	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the									10113331										
	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare																			
	for the Digoxin Therapeutic Drug Assay (190.24)																			
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10309.16. 1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Digoxin Therapeutic Drug Assay (190.24) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.17	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Alpha-fetoprotein (190.25) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.17. 1	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Alpha-fetoprotein (190.25) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.17. 2	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Alpha-fetoprotein (190.25) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.18	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (190.27) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.18.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (190.27) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.18. 2	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (190.27) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.18.	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Human Chorionic Gonadotropin (190.27) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.19	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the									FU Associates	

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	for the Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA 125										
	(190.28) NCD.										
10309.19.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates	
1	provided in the link effective September 30, 2017										
	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by										
	Medicare for the Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA										
	125 (190.28) NCD.										
10309.20	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates	
	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the										
	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare										
	for the Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA 19-9										
	(190.30) NCD.										
10309.20.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates	
1	provided in the link effective September 30, 2017										
	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by										
	Medicare for the Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA										
	19-9 (190.30) NCD.										
10309.21	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates	
	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the										
	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare										
	for the Prostate Specific Antigen (190.31) NCD.										
10309.21.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code									FU Associates	
1	provided in the link effective September 30, 2017										
	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by										
	Medicare for the Prostate Specific Antigen (190.31)										
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10309.22	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates	
	provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the										
	list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare										
	for the Gamma Glutamyl Transferase (190.32) NCD.										
10309.22.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates	
1	provided in the link effective September 30, 2017										
	from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by										
	Medicare for the Gamma Glutamyl Transferase										
	(190.32) NCD.										
10309.22.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM codes									FU Associates	
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	Medicare for the Gamma Glutamyl Transferase (190.32) NCD.										
10309.22.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Gamma Glutamyl Transferase (190.32) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.22. 4	The module developer shall <b>add</b> ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective 10/1/2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Gamma Glutamyl Transferase (190.32) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.23	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Hepatitis Panel/Acute Hepatitis Panel (190.33) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.23.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Hepatitis Panel/Acute Hepatitis Panel (190.33) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.23.	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Hepatitis Panel/Acute Hepatitis Panel (190.33) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.24	The module developer shall add ICD-10 CM codes provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Fecal Occult Blood Test (190.34) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.24.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are covered by Medicare for the Fecal Occult Blood Test (190.34) NCD.									FU Associates	
10309.24.	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Fecal Occult Blood Test (190.34)									FU Associates	

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10309.25	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)Testing (Prognosis Including Monitoring) (190.13) NCD.									FU Associates					
10309.26	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Blood Glucose Testing (190.20A) NCD.									FU Associates					
10309.27	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Carcinoembryonic Antigen (190.26) NCD.									FU Associates					
10309.28	The module developer shall delete ICD-10 CM code provided in the link effective September 30, 2017 from the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Tumor Antigen by Immunoassay CA 15-3/CA 27.29 (190.29) NCD.									FU Associates					
10309.29	The module developer shall add ICD-10-CM code provided in the link effective October 1, 2017 to the list of ICD-10-CM codes that are denied by Medicare for the Blood Counts (190.15) NCD.									FU Associates					

## III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

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	receive notification of the article release via the established "MLN Matters"						
	listserv. Contractors shall post this article, or a direct link to this article, on their						
	Web sites and include information about it in a listsery message within 5						
	business days after receipt of the notification from CMS announcing the						
	availability of the article. In addition, the provider education article shall be						
	included in the contractor's next regularly scheduled bulletin. Contractors are						
	free to supplement MLN Matters articles with localized information that would						
	benefit their provider community in billing and administering the Medicare						
	program correctly.						

## IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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

<sup>&</sup>quot;Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref	Recommendations or other supporting information:
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Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

## V. CONTACTS

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## VI. FUNDING

## **Section A: 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.

## **ATTACHMENTS: 0**