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	Change Request 10313

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SUBJECT: File Conversions Related to the Spanish Translation of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Descriptions

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This Change Request (CR) provides direction for the contractors to perform any necessary file conversions related to the Spanish translation of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) descriptions provided by First Coast Service Options (FCSO) on a quarterly basis. This recurring update notification applies to chapter 21 section 20.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 2, 2018

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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: January 2, 2018 - for VMS; February 5, 2018 - for FISS

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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

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: This Change Request (CR) provides direction for the contractors to perform any necessary file conversions related to the Spanish translation of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) descriptions provided by First Coast Service Options (FCSO) on a quarterly basis.

B. Policy: CMS provides contractors with updates to the Spanish HCPCS descriptions on a quarterly basis.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility								
		A/B MAC			D M E	Shared- System Maintainers				Other
		A	B	H H H		F M S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
10313.1	The contractor shall use the spreadsheet provided by First Coast Service Options (FCSO) that contain the Spanish translations of the HCPCS descriptions and perform any necessary file conversions so that this file is available to the MACs at the VDC for processing. This Spanish translation spreadsheet will include the new HCPCS added for the quarter. The spreadsheet includes only adds and changes that were translated. It is not a full file replacement.	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	IOCE

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D M E	C E D I
		A	B	H H H		
	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

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

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