CMS Manual System	Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
Pub 100-04 Medicare Claims Processing	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
Transmittal 2001	Date: July 16, 2010
	Change Request 7057

SUBJECT: Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for October 2010

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: In accordance with Chapter 16, section 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 ICD-9-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 October 2010. Changes are being made to the NCD code lists as described below. These changes are effective for services furnished on or after October 1, 2010.

EFFECTIVE DATE: *October 1, 2010
IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 4, 2010

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
N/A	

III. FUNDING:
For Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs) and/or Carriers:
No additional funding will be provided by CMS; Contractor activities are to be carried out within their operating budgets.

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

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

Attachment – Recurring Update Notification

Pub. 100-04	Transmittal: 2001	Date: July 16, 2010	Change Request: 7057

SUBJECT: Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for October 2010

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2010

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 4, 2010

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: This transmittal announces the changes that will be included in the October 2010 quarterly release of the edit module for clinical diagnostic laboratory services. The 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 shared systems so that laboratory claims subject to one of the 23 NCDs 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 ICD-9-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 October 2010. Changes are being made to the NCD code lists as described below. These changes are effective for services furnished on or after October 1, 2010.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE
Use"Shall" to denote a mandatory requirement

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)									
		A / B MAC	D M E MAC	F I	C A R R I E R	R H H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTHER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F	
7057.1	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM code 780.66 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Urine Culture, Bacterial (190.12) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.2	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 780.66, 786.30, 786.31, and 786.39 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Testing (Diagnosis) (190.14) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.2.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM code 786.3 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Testiing (Diagnosis) (190.14) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.3	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 832.2, V11.4, V25.11, V25.12, V25.13, V49.86, and										**Fu Associates**

Number	Requirement	A/B MAC	DME MAC	FI	CARRIER	RHHI	FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	OTHER
	V62.85 to the list of "Do Not Support Medical Necessity" ICD-9-CM codes for the Blood Counts (190.15) NCD.										
7057.3.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM code V25.1 from the list of "Do Not Support Medical Necessity" ICD-9-CM codes for the Blood Counts (190.15) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.4	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 275.01, 275.02, 275.03, 275.09, 287.41, 287.49, 786.30, 786.31, and 786.39 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) (190.16) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.4.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM codes 275.0, 287.4, and 786.3 from the list of ICD-9-CM codes covered for the Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) (190.16) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.5	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 275.01, 275.02, 275.03, 275.09, 287.41, 287.49, 786.30, 786.31, 786.39, 999.80, 999.83, 999.84, and 999.85 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Prothrombin Time (190.17) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.5.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM codes 275.0, 287.4, and 786.3 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes covered for the Prothrombin Time (190.17) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.5.2	The module developer shall correct a typographical error by replacing ICD-9-CM code 531.21 with ICD-9-CM code 534.21 within the code range 534.20-531.21 for the Prothrombin Time (190.17) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.6	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 237.73, 237.79, 275.01, 275.02, 275.03, 275.09, 287.41, 287.49, 999.80, 999.83, 999.84, and 999.85 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Serum Iron Studies (190.18) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.6.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM codes 275.0 and 287.4 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Serum Iron Studies (190.18) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.7	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 275.01, 275.02, 275.03, 275.09, 276.61, 276.69, 780.33, 787.60, 787.61, 787.62, and 787.63 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Blood Glucose Testing (190.20) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.7.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM codes 275.0, 276.6, and 787.6 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Blood Glucose Testing (190.20)										**Fu Associates**

Number	Requirement	A/B MAC	DME MAC	FI	CARRIER	RHHI	FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	OTHER
							Shared-System Maintainers				
	NCD.										
7057.8	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 275.01, 275.02, 275.03, and 275.09 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Glycated Hemoglobin/Glycated Protein (190.21) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.8.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM code 275.0 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Glycated Hemoglobin/Glycated Protein (190.21) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.9	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM code 278.03 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Lipids Testing (190.23) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.10	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 276.61 and 276.69 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Digoxin Therapeutic Drug Assay (190.24) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.10.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM code 276.6 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Digoxin Therapeutic Drug Assay (190.24) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.11	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 275.01, 275.02, 275.03, and 275.09 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Alpha-fetoprotein (190.25) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.11.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM code 275.0 from the list of ICD-9-CM codes for the Alpha-fetoprotein (190.25) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.12	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 237.73, 237.79, 275.01, 275.02, 275.03, 275.09, 560.32, 780.66, 970.81, and 970.89 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Gamma Glutamyl Transferase (190.32) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.12.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM codes 275.0 and 970.8 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Gamma Glutamyl Transferase (190.32) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.13	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM code 780.33 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Hepatitis Panel/Acute Hepatitis Panel (190.33) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.14	The module developer shall add ICD-9-CM codes 287.41, 287.49, and 560.32 to the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Fecal Occult Blood Test (190.34) NCD.										**Fu Associates**
7057.14.1	The module developer shall delete ICD-9-CM code 287.4 from the list of covered ICD-9-CM codes for the Fecal Occult Blood Test (190.34) NCD.										**Fu Associates**

Number	Requirement	A/B MAC	DME MAC	FI	CARRIER	RHHI	FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	OTHER
							Shared-System Maintainers				
7057.15	The module developer shall provide the revised software as a mainframe file (i.e., load module) to CMS to be distributed to the Shared System Maintainers.										**Fu Associates**
7057.16	The SSMs shall install the edit module after testing and distribute it to the contractors as part of their routine release.						X	X			
7057.17	Contractors shall adjust claims brought to their attention. Contractors do not need to search their files to either retract payment for claims already paid or to retroactively pay claims.	X		X	X						

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	A/B MAC	DME MAC	FI	CARRIER	RHHI	FISS	MCS	VMS	CWF	OTHER
							Shared-System Maintainers				
7057.18	A provider education article related to this instruction will be available at: http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/ shortly after the CR is released. You will 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 site and include information about it in a listserv message within one week of the availability of the provider education article. In addition, the provider education article shall be included in your 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.	X		X	X						

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A. For any recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements, use the box below:
Use "Should" to denote a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:
None.	

B. For all other recommendations and supporting information, use this space: N/A

V. CONTACTS

Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Lisa Eggleston, 410-786-6130, Lisa.Eggleston@cms.hhs.gov, Kimberly Long, 410-786-5702, Kimberly.Long@cms.hhs.gov, Patricia Brocato-Simons, 410-786-0261, Patricia.Brocatosimons@cms.hhs.gov

Post-Implementation Contact(s): Appropriate CMS Regional offices

VI. FUNDING

Section A: For *Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RRHIs), and Carriers:*

No additional funding will be provided by CMS; contractor activities are to be carried out within their operating budgets.

Section B: *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.