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Subject: Laboratory and Radiology: Adjustment to Common Working File (CWF) Duplicate Claim Edit for the Technical Component (TC) of Radiology and Pathology Laboratory Services Provided to Hospital Patients

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This CR adjusts the edit which was created in CR 5347, Transmittal 1221, Issued April 18, 2007, to exclude the admission and discharge dates for radiology and pathology services.

New / Revised Material

Effective Date: April 1, 2007

Implementation Date: October 1, 2007

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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	

III. FUNDING:

No additional funding will be provided by CMS; Contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2007 operating budgets.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

One-Time Notification

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

Attachment – One-Time Notification

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services implemented Change Request (CR) 5347, Transmittal 1221, issued on April 18, 2007 with an effective date of April 1, 2007 for claims with date of service January 1, 2007 and later. CR 5347 implemented a process to prevent payments of the TC of radiology services furnished to an inpatient of a hospital by any entity other than the admitting hospital.

CMS has determined that some imaging services performed on the admission and discharge dates are being denied based on the edit implemented by CR 5347. Imaging and pathology services performed on the admission date and discharge date by entities other than the admitting hospital are separately payable.

This CR adjusts the CWF edit to exclude the admission and discharge dates for radiology and pathology services so as to permit separate payment for the TC when billed by suppliers.

B. Policy: Imaging and pathology services performed on the admission date and discharge date by entities other than the admitting hospital are separately payable.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

Use "Shall" to denote a mandatory requirement

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)											
		A / B M A C	D M E A C	F I	C A R R I E R	D M R I C	R E H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTH ER	
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F			
5675.1	The CWF System Maintainer shall adjust the edit established by Requirement 5437.1 to accept a Part B TC or globally billed radiology service line item received on or after April 1, 2007, with a service date that falls on the admission date or the discharge date of a covered hospital inpatient stay, type of bills											X	

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)										
		A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I M A C	C A R R I E R	D M R R C	R H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTH ER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F		
	(TOBs) 11X and 12X posted to the CWF.											
5675.2	The CWF System Maintainer shall adjust the edit established by Requirement 5437.2 to accept a Part B TC or globally billed physician pathology service line item received on or April 1, 2007 with a service date that falls on the admission date or discharge dates of a covered hospital inpatient stay, TOBs 11X and 12X posted to the CWF.										X	
5675.3	Carriers shall adjust claims if they are brought to their attention for claims received in CY 2007.	X			X							

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility (place an "X" in each applicable column)										
		A / B M A C	D M E M A C	F I M A C	C A R R I E R	D M R R C	R H I	Shared-System Maintainers				OTH ER
							F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F		
5675.4	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							

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A. For any recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements, use the box below: N/A

Use "Should" to denote a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:

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

V. CONTACTS

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Post-Implementation Contact(s): Your appropriate Regional Office

VI. FUNDING

A. For Fiscal Intermediaries, Carriers, and the Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carrier (DMERC):
No additional funding will be provided by CMS; contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2007 operating budgets.

B. For Medicare Administrative Contractors (MAC):

The contractor is hereby advised that this constitutes technical direction as defined in your contract. CMS does not construe this as a change to the Statement of Work (SOW). 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.