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SUBJECT: Week-at-a-Glance August 18th through August 27th

The Week-at-a-Glance memo describes the cleanups that CMS is preparing to transmit along with Plan-submitted transactions to Plans on the next two weekly TRRs. The focus of these cleanups is described below. Only Plans with transactions/beneficiaries that are impacted by the specific conditions of each cleanup will receive a file.

Plans should be aware that all information is approximate and subject to change depending on system resources and other factors. The MMA Help Desk will communicate any changes to the schedule that occur after this memo is published to Plans.

Saturday, August 18, 2007

Transactions reprocessed as a result of the following cleanup will appear on the Plan's August 18th regular weekly TRR. The file will follow the standard naming convention: P.Rxxxxx.TRWEEKR.D070818.Thhmmsst

Note: The August 18, 2007 weekly TRR will be transmitted in the old format. The new file layout for the weekly TRR will take effect on August 25, 2007.

Enrollment Reconciliation Transactions with TRC 165

CMS continues its efforts to address the underlying issues that caused a number of enrollment reconciliation transactions to reject with TRC 165 - System Delay.

In order to close the loop, CMS will reprocess the affected transactions. As a result, Plans should expect to receive legitimate accepted or rejected Transaction Reply Codes (TRCs), including TRC 604 and TRC 607. Multiple TRCs may be assigned to a transaction, but Plans will not receive TRC 165. Payment adjustments may also occur depending on the effective date of the enrollment transaction.

Thursday, August 23, 2007

A special TRR related to the 2006 Premium Withhold Cleanup will be released on August 23, 2007 to Plans with affected beneficiaries. The special TRR will show TRC 144 (Premium withhold option change to direct bill) only for those beneficiaries that were converted to direct bill for all months that they were in premium withhold status during 2006. Although these beneficiaries may have requested premium withhold and the CMS enrollment system may have shown them in premium withhold status, premium withhold was never effectuated at SSA and premiums were not withheld from the beneficiary. Please refer to the HPMS letter dated July 23, 2007, "Update on the 2006 Premium Withholding Reconciliation (PWR) including file layouts for new ad-hoc member level report."

The file will follow the standard naming convention:
P.Rxxxxx.TRWEEKR.D070823.Thhmsst

Note: This special TRR will be transmitted in the new format, which includes 4Rx fields.

Saturday, August 25, 2007

At this time, no cleanups are scheduled for inclusion on the August 25th regular weekly TRR. The file will follow the standard naming convention:
P.Rxxxxx.TRWEEKR.D070825.Thhmsst

Monday, August 27, 2007

Special Note: CMS has identified a system issue where some Date of Death notifications were not processed successfully. CMS will reprocess these notifications to correct the death date and disenroll the beneficiaries from the appropriate Plan. No TRCs or payment adjustments will be generated. Transactions resulting from the cleanup will appear on the August 27th Monthly Membership Report (MMR).

Please direct questions or concerns to the MMA Help Desk at mmahelp@cms.hhs.gov or 1-800-927-8069.