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SUBJECT: April 2020 Integrated Outpatient Code Editor (I/OCE) Specifications Version 21.1

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This notification provides the Integrated OCE instructions and specifications for the Integrated OCE that will be utilized under the Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) and non-OPPS for hospital outpatient departments, community mental health centers, all non-OPPS providers, and for limited services when provided in a home health agency not under the Home Health Prospective Payment System or to a hospice patient for the treatment of a non-terminal illness. The attached recurring update notification applies to publication 100-04, chapter 4, section 40.1.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2020

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

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: April 6, 2020

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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 instruction informs the A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs) Part A, the A/B MACs Part Home Health and Hospice (HHH) and the Fiscal Intermediary Shared System (FISS) that the I/OCE is being updated for April 1, 2020. The I/OCE routes all institutional outpatient claims (which includes Non-Outpatient Prospective Payment System [non-OPPS] hospital claims) through a single integrated OCE. The attached recurring update notification applies to publication 100-04, chapter 4, section 40.1.

B. Policy: This notification provides the Integrated OCE instructions and specifications for the Integrated OCE that will be utilized under the OPPS and non-OPPS for hospital outpatient departments, community mental health centers, all non-OPPS providers, and for limited services when provided in a home health agency not under the Home Health Prospective Payment System or to a hospice patient for the treatment of a non-terminal illness. The I/OCE specifications will be posted to the CMS website and can be found at <http://www.cms.gov/OutpatientCodeEdit/>.

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS TABLE

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

Number	Requirement	Responsibility									
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	Shared-System Maintainers				Other	
		A	B	H H H		F I S S	M C S	V M S	C W F		
11680.1	The Shared System Maintainer shall install the Integrated OCE (I/OCE) into their systems.					X					
11680.2	Medicare contractors shall identify the I/OCE specifications on the CMS website at https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Coding/OutpatientCodeEdit/OCEQtrReleaseSpecs .	X		X		X					

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility				
		A/B MAC			D M E M A C	C E D I
		A	B	H H H		
11680.3	MLN Article: CMS will make available an MLN Matters provider education article that will be marketed through the MLN Connects weekly newsletter shortly after the CR is released. MACs shall follow IOM Pub. No. 100-09 Chapter 6, Section 50.2.4.1, instructions for distributing MLN Connects information to providers, posting the article or a direct link to the article on your website, and including the article or a direct link to the article in your bulletin or newsletter. You may supplement MLN Matters articles with localized information benefiting your provider community in billing and administering the Medicare program correctly. Subscribe to the “MLN Matters” listserv to get article release notifications, or review them in the MLN Connects weekly newsletter.	X		X		

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:
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Section B: All other recommendations and supporting information: N/A

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2 Summary of Quarterly Release Modifications

The modifications of the IOCE for the **April 2020, v21.1 R2 re-release** is summarized in the table below. Readers should also read through the entire document and note the highlighted sections, which also indicate changes from the prior release of the software. Some IOCE modifications in the update may be retroactively added to prior releases. If so, the retroactive date appears in the 'Effective Date' column.

Item #	Type	Effective Date	Edits Affected	Modification
1.	Logic	04/01/2020	24	Modify the software to maintain 28 prior quarters (7 years) of programs in each release. Remove older versions with each release. The earliest date included for this release is 07/01/2013.
2.	Logic	03/1/2020	68	Apply mid-quarter edit 68 (Service provided prior to date of National Coverage Determination (NCD) approval) to the following HCPCS if reported before 03/01/2020: 98966, 98967, 98968, 99421, 99422, 99423, 99441, 99442, 99443, 99457, 99474, G2010, G2012, G2061, G2062, G2063, G2023, G2024
3.	Content	04/01/2020		Make all HCPCS/APC/SI changes as specified by CMS. Updates were made to the following lists: DATA_HCPCS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FQHC Non-Covered list • Added HCPCS with HCPCS APC/SI changes • Modified HCPCS SI/ Edits • Non-Covered services (edit 9) • Not recognized by OPPS (edit 62) • Service not billable to MAC (edit 72) • Statutory Exclusion (edit 50)
4.	Content	04/01/2020	20, 40	Implement revised version 26.1.R1 of the NCCI (as modified for applicable outpatient institutional providers).
5.	Other	04/01/2020		Create 508-compliant versions of the Specifications, Summary of Data Changes and File Layout documents for publication on the CMS web site. Provide MF and PC IOCE software and supporting quarterly data file reports for publication on the CMS web site.
6.	Other	04/01/2020		Deliver quarterly software update and all related documentation and files to users via electronic download.

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Summary of Data Changes

IOCE v21.1.0.R2 April 2020

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HCPCS Procedure Code Changes

Added HCPCS Codes

The following HCPCS code(s) were added.

Added HCPCS Codes

HCPCS	Eff Date	Description	Status Indicator	APC	Edit	Appr Date	Term Date
0014M	2020-04-01	Liver ds alys 3 bmrk srm alg	Q4	00000			
G2023	2020-01-01	Specimen collect COVID-19	N	00000		2020-03-01	
G2024	2020-01-01	Spec coll SNF/Lab COVID-19	N	00000		2020-03-01	

Modified HCPCS Code APC/Status Indicators/Edit Assignments

The following HCPCS code(s) had an APC, Status Indicator, or Edit assignment change.

Modified HCPCS Code APC/Status Indicators/Edit Assignments

HCPCS	Eff Date	Description	APC Current	APC Previous	Status Indicator Current	Status Indicator Previous	Edits Current	Edits Previous
98966	2020-01-01	Hc pro phone call 5-10 min			B	E1	62	50
98967	2020-01-01	Hc pro phone call 11-20 min			B	E1	62	50
98968	2020-01-01	Hc pro phone call 21-30 min			B	E1	62	50
99421	2020-01-01	Ol dig e/m svc 5-10 min			B	M	62	72
99422	2020-01-01	Ol dig e/m svc 11-20 min			B	M	62	72
99423	2020-01-01	Ol dig e/m svc 21+ min			B	M	62	72
99441	2020-01-01	Phone e/m phys/qhp 5-10 min			B	E1	62	9
99442	2020-01-01	Phone e/m phys/qhp 11-20 min			B	E1	62	9
99443	2020-01-01	Phone e/m phys/qhp 21-30 min			B	E1	62	9
99457	2020-01-01	Rem physiol mntr 1st 20 min			B	M	62	72
99474	2020-01-01	Self-meas bp 2 readg bid 30d			B	M	62	72
G2010	2020-01-01	Remot image submit by pt			B	M	62	72
G2012	2020-01-01	Brief check in by md/qhp			B	M	62	72
G2061	2020-01-01	Qual nonmd est pt 5-10m			A	M		72
G2062	2020-01-01	Qual nonmd est pt 11-20m			A	M		72
G2063	2020-01-01	Qual nonmd est pt 21>min			A	M		72

Mid Quarter Edits Additions

The following HCPCS code(s) were added to Mid-Quarter edit 67, 68, 69, 83, or 110.

Mid Quarter Edits Additions

Reason Key: A=Added To List, N=New Code

HCPCS	Eff Date	Description	Approval Date	Edit	R*
98966	2020-01-01	Hc pro phone call 5-10 min	2020-03-01	68	A
98967	2020-01-01	Hc pro phone call 11-20 min	2020-03-01	68	A
98968	2020-01-01	Hc pro phone call 21-30 min	2020-03-01	68	A
99421	2020-01-01	Ol dig e/m svc 5-10 min	2020-03-01	68	A
99422	2020-01-01	Ol dig e/m svc 11-20 min	2020-03-01	68	A
99423	2020-01-01	Ol dig e/m svc 21+ min	2020-03-01	68	A
99441	2020-01-01	Phone e/m phys/qhp 5-10 min	2020-03-01	68	A
99442	2020-01-01	Phone e/m phys/qhp 11-20 min	2020-03-01	68	A
99443	2020-01-01	Phone e/m phys/qhp 21-30 min	2020-03-01	68	A
99457	2020-01-01	Rem physiol mntr 1st 20 min	2020-03-01	68	A
99474	2020-01-01	Self-meas bp 2 readg bid 30d	2020-03-01	68	A
G2010	2020-01-01	Remot image submit by pt	2020-03-01	68	A
G2012	2020-01-01	Brief check in by md/qhp	2020-03-01	68	A
G2023	2020-01-01	Specimen collect COVID-19	2020-03-01	68	N
G2024	2020-01-01	Spec coll SNF/Lab COVID-19	2020-03-01	68	N
G2061	2020-01-01	Qual nonmd est pt 5-10m	2020-03-01	68	A
G2062	2020-01-01	Qual nonmd est pt 11-20m	2020-03-01	68	A
G2063	2020-01-01	Qual nonmd est pt 21>min	2020-03-01	68	A

FQHC Non-Covered Additions

The following HCPCS were added to the FQHC Non-Covered list.

FQHC Non-Covered Additions

Reason Key: A=Added To List, N=New Code

HCPCS	Eff Date	Description	R*
0014M	2020-04-01	Liver ds alys 3 bmrk srm alg	N
G2023	2020-01-01	Specimen collect COVID-19	N
G2024	2020-01-01	Spec coll SNF/Lab COVID-19	N

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