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SUBJECT: Update to the Medicare Claims Processing Manual

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This Change Request updates the Internet Only Manual, Publication 100-04, Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapters 12 and 23.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 19, 2020

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IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 19, 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
R	12/20.4.2 - Site of Service Payment Differential
R	23/Addendum - MPFSDB File Record Layout and Field Descriptions

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:

**Business Requirements
Manual Instruction**

Attachment - Business Requirements

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background: The list of nonfacility POS codes in the Medicare Claims Processing Manual, Chapter 12, Section 20.4.2, is being updated to reflect previous updates to the POS list found in Chapter 26, Section 10.5. Also, the MPFSDB file layout in the Chapter 23 Addendum has been updated to show the procedure code series that are not included on the MPFSDB file.

B. Policy: There are no policy changes, and no changes to the function of the MPFSDB file.

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 V C W	M I C S S	V M S	C W F		
11958.1	Contractors shall be aware of the manual updates in Publication 100-04, Chapter 12, Section 20.4.2; and Chapter 23, Addendum, contained in this change request.	X	X								

III. PROVIDER EDUCATION TABLE

Number	Requirement	Responsibility						
		A/B MAC			D M E	C E D I		
		A	B	H H H			M A C	
11958.2	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	X	X					

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		A/B MAC			D M E D I	C M E D I
		A	B	H H H		
	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.					

IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Section A: Recommendations and supporting information associated with listed requirements:

"Should" denotes a recommendation.

X-Ref Requirement Number	Recommendations or other supporting information:
	N/A

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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ATTACHMENTS: 0

20.4.2 - Site of Service Payment Differential

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Under the Medicare Physician Fee schedule (MPFS), some procedures have separate rates for physicians' services when provided in facility and nonfacility settings. The CMS furnishes both rates in the MPFSDB update.

The rate, facility or nonfacility, that a physician service is paid under the MPFS is determined by the Place of service (POS) code that is used to identify the setting where the beneficiary received the face-to-face encounter with the physician, nonphysician practitioner (NPP) or other supplier. In general, the POS code reflects the actual place where the beneficiary receives the face-to-face service and determines whether the facility or nonfacility payment rate is paid. However, for a service rendered to a patient who is an inpatient of a hospital (POS code 21) or an outpatient of a hospital (POS codes 19 or 22), the facility rate is paid, regardless of where the face-to-face encounter with the beneficiary occurred. For the professional component (PC) of diagnostic tests, the facility and nonfacility payment rates are the same – irrespective of the POS code on the claim. See chapter 13, section 150 of this manual for POS instructions for the PC and technical component of diagnostic tests.

The list of settings where a physician's services are paid at the facility rate include:

- Telehealth (POS *code* 02);
- Outpatient Hospital-Off campus (POS code 19);
- Inpatient Hospital (POS code 21);
- Outpatient Hospital-On campus (POS code 22);
- Emergency Room-Hospital (POS code 23);
- Medicare-participating ambulatory surgical center (ASC) for a HCPCS code included on the ASC approved list of procedures (POS code 24);
- Medicare-participating ASC for a procedure not on the ASC list of approved procedures with dates of service on or after January 1, 2008. (POS code 24);
- Military Treatment Facility (POS code 26);
- Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) for a Part A resident (POS code 31);
- Hospice – for inpatient care (POS code 34);
- Ambulance – Land (POS code 41);
- Ambulance – Air or Water (POS code 42);
- Inpatient Psychiatric Facility (POS code 51);
- Psychiatric Facility -- Partial Hospitalization (POS code 52);
- Community Mental Health Center (POS code 53);
- Psychiatric Residential Treatment Center (POS code 56); and

- Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (POS code 61).

Physicians' services are paid at nonfacility rates for procedures furnished in the following settings:

- Pharmacy (POS code 01);
- School (POS code 03);
- Homeless Shelter (POS code 04);
- Prison/Correctional Facility (POS code 09);
- Office (POS code 11);
- Home or Private Residence of Patient (POS code 12);
- Assisted Living Facility (POS code 13);
- Group Home (POS code 14);
- Mobile Unit (POS code 15);
- Temporary Lodging (POS code 16);
- Walk-in Retail Health Clinic (POS code 17);
- Urgent Care Facility (POS code 20);
- Birthing Center (POS code 25);
- Nursing Facility and SNFs to Part B residents (POS code 32);
- Custodial Care Facility (POS code 33);
- Independent Clinic (POS code 49);
- Federally Qualified Health Center (POS code 50);
- Intermediate Health Care Facility/Mentally Retarded (POS code 54);
- Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facility (POS code 55);
- Non-Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facility (POS code 57);
- *Non-Residential Opioid Treatment Facility (POS code 58);*
- Mass Immunization Center (POS code 60);
- Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (POS code 62);
- End-Stage Renal Disease Treatment Facility (POS code 65);
- State or Local Health Clinic (POS code 71);

- Rural Health Clinic (POS code 72);
- Independent Laboratory (POS code 81); and
- Other Place of Service (POS code 99).

See chapter 26, section 10.5 of this manual for the complete listing of the Place of Service code set, including instructions and special considerations for the application of certain POS codes under Medicare.

Nonfacility rates are applicable to outpatient rehabilitative therapy procedures, including those relating to physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech-language pathology, regardless of whether they are furnished in facility or nonfacility settings. Nonfacility rates also apply to all comprehensive outpatient rehabilitative facility (CORF) services. In addition, payment is made at the nonfacility rate for physician services provided to CORF patients and appropriately billed using POS code 62 for CORF.

Addendum - MPFSDB File Record Layout and Field Descriptions

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The CMS MPFSDB includes the total fee schedule amount, related component parts, and payment policy indicators. The record layout is provided below. Beginning with the 2019 MPFSDB, and thereafter, the MPFSDB File Record Layout will no longer be revised annually in this section for the sole purpose of changing the calendar year, but will only be revised when there is a change to a field. Previous MPFSDB file layouts (for 2018 and prior) can be found on the CMS web site on the Physician Fee Schedule web page at: <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/PhysicianFeeSched/index.html>.

MPFSDB File Layout

HEADER RECORD

FIELD #	DATA ELEMENT NAME	LOCATION	PIC
1	Header ID	1-4	x(4) Value "Head"
2	Header Number	5	x(1)
3	Data Set Name	6-50	x(45)
4	Record Length	51-53	x(3)
5	Filler	54-54	x(1)
6	Block size	55-58	x(4)
7	Filler	59-59	x(1)
8	Number of Records Number does not include this header record.	60-69	9(10)
9	Date Created	70-77	x(8) YYYYMMDD
10	Blanks	78-345	x(268)

DATA RECORD

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
1 File Year This field displays the effective year of the file.	4 Pic x(4)
2 A/B MAC (B) Number This field represents the 5-digit number assigned to the A/B MAC (B).	5 Pic x(5)
3 Locality This 2-digit code identifies the pricing locality used.	2 Pic x(2)
4 HCPCS Code This field represents the procedure code. Each A/B MAC (B) Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code (other than codes for Multianalyte Assays with Algorithmic Analyses (MAAA) and Proprietary Laboratory Analyses (PLA)) and alpha-numeric HCPCS codes other than B, C, E, K, L and U codes will be included. The standard sort for this field is blanks, alpha, and numeric in ascending order. Note: MAAA and PLA are alpha-numeric CPT codes.	5 Pic x(5)
5	2 Pic x(2)

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
<p>Modifier</p> <p>For diagnostic tests, a blank in this field denotes the global service and the following modifiers identify the components:</p> <p>26 = Professional component</p> <p>TC = Technical component</p> <p>For services other than those with a professional and/or technical component, a blank will appear in this field with one exception: the presence of CPT modifier -53 which indicates that separate Relative Value Units (RVUs) and a fee schedule amount have been established for procedures which the physician terminated before completion. This modifier is used only with colonoscopy through stoma code 44388, colonoscopy code 45378 and screening colonoscopy codes G0105 and G0121. Any other codes billed with modifier -53 are subject to medical review and priced by individual consideration.</p> <p>Modifier-53 = Discontinued Procedure - Under certain circumstances, the physician may elect to terminate a surgical or diagnostic procedure. Due to extenuating circumstances, or those that threaten the well being of the patient, it may be necessary to indicate that a surgical or diagnostic procedure was started but discontinued.</p>	
<p>6</p> <p>Descriptor</p> <p>This field will include a brief description of each procedure code.</p>	50 Pic x(50)
<p>7</p> <p>Code Status</p> <p>This 1 position field provides the status of each code under the full fee schedule. Each status code is explained in §30.2.2.</p>	1 Pic x(1)
<p>8</p> <p>Conversion Factor</p> <p>This field displays the multiplier which transforms relative values into payment amounts. The file will contain the conversion factor for the File Year which will reflect all adjustments.</p>	8 Pic 9(4)v9999
<p>9</p> <p>Update Factor</p> <p>This update factor has been included in the conversion factor in Field 8.</p>	6 Pic 9(2)v9999
<p>10</p> <p>Work Relative Value Unit</p> <p>This field displays the unit value for the physician work RVU.</p>	9 Pic 9(7)v99
<p>11</p> <p>Filler</p>	9 Pic 9(7)v99
<p>12</p> <p>Malpractice Relative Value Unit</p> <p>This field displays the unit value for the malpractice expense RVU.</p>	9 Pic 9(7)v99
<p>13</p>	5 Pic 99v999

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
<p>Work Geographic Practice Cost Indices (GPCIs)</p> <p>This field displays a work geographic adjustment factor used in computing the fee schedule amount.</p>	
<p>14</p> <p>Practice Expense GPCI</p> <p>This field displays a practice expense geographic adjustment factor used in computing the fee schedule amount.</p>	5 Pic 99v999
<p>15</p> <p>Malpractice GPCI</p> <p>This field displays a malpractice expense geographic adjustment factor used in computing the fee schedule amount.</p>	5 Pic 99v999
<p>16</p> <p>Global Surgery</p> <p>This field provides the postoperative time frames that apply to payment for each surgical procedure or another indicator that describes the applicability of the global concept to the service.</p> <p>000 = Endoscopic or minor procedure with related preoperative and postoperative relative values on the day of the procedure only included in the fee schedule payment amount; evaluation and management services on the day of the procedure generally not payable.</p> <p>010 = Minor procedure with preoperative relative values on the day of the procedure and postoperative relative values during a 10-day postoperative period included in the fee schedule amount; evaluation and management services on the day of the procedure and during this 10-day postoperative period generally not payable.</p> <p>090 = Major surgery with a 1-day preoperative period and 90-day postoperative period included in the fee schedule payment amount.</p> <p>MMM = Maternity codes; usual global period does not apply.</p> <p>XXX = Global concept does not apply.</p> <p>YYY = A/B MAC (B) determines whether global concept applies and establishes postoperative period, if appropriate, at time of pricing.</p> <p>ZZZ = Code related to another service and is always included in the global period of the other service. (Note: Physician work is associated with intra-service time and in some instances the post service time.)</p>	3 Pic x(3)
<p>17</p> <p>Preoperative Percentage (Modifier 56)</p> <p>This field contains the percentage (shown in decimal format) for the preoperative portion of the global package. For example, 10 percent will be shown as 010000. The total of fields 17, 18, and 19 will usually equal one. Any variance is slight and results from rounding.</p>	6 Pic 9v9(5)
<p>18</p> <p>Intraoperative Percentage (Modifier 54)</p> <p>This field contains the percentage (shown in decimal format) for the intraoperative portion of the global package including postoperative work in the hospital. For example, 63 percent will be shown as</p>	6 Pic 9v9(5)

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063000. The total of fields 17, 18, and 19 will usually equal one. Any variance is slight and results from rounding.	
<p>19</p> <p>Postoperative Percentage (Modifier 55)</p> <p>This field contains the percentage (shown in decimal format) for the postoperative portion of the global package that is provided in the office after discharge from the hospital. For example, 17 percent will be shown as 017000. The total of fields 17, 18, and 19 will usually equal one. Any variance is slight and results from rounding.</p>	6 Pic 9v9(5)
<p>20</p> <p>Professional Component (PC)/Technical Component (TC) Indicator</p> <p>0 = Physician service codes: This indicator identifies codes that describe physician services. Examples include visits, consultations, and surgical procedures. The concept of PC/TC does not apply since physician services cannot be split into professional and technical components. Modifiers 26 & TC cannot be used with these codes. The total Relative Value Units (RVUs) include values for physician work, practice expense and malpractice expense. There are some codes with no work RVUs.</p> <p>1 = Diagnostic tests or radiology services: This indicator identifies codes that describe diagnostic tests, e.g., pulmonary function tests, or therapeutic radiology procedures, e.g., radiation therapy. These codes generally have both a professional and technical component. Modifiers 26 and TC can be used with these codes.</p> <p>The total RVUs for codes reported with a 26 modifier include values for physician work, practice expense, and malpractice expense.</p> <p>The total RVUs for codes reported with a TC modifier include values for practice expense and malpractice expense only. The total RVUs for codes reported without a modifier equals the sum of RVUs for both the professional and technical component.</p> <p>2 = Professional component only codes: This indicator identifies stand alone codes that describe the physician work portion of selected diagnostic tests for which there is an associated code that describes the technical component of the diagnostic test only and another associated code that describes the global test.</p> <p>An example of a professional component only code is 93010, Electrocardiogram; interpretation and report. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes. The total RVUs for professional component only codes include values for physician work, practice expense, and malpractice expense.</p> <p>3 = Technical component only codes: This indicator identifies stand alone codes that describe the technical component (i.e., staff and equipment costs) of selected diagnostic tests for which there is an associated code that describes the professional component of the diagnostic tests only.</p> <p>An example of a technical component code is 93005, Electrocardiogram, tracing only, without interpretation and report. It also identifies codes that are covered only as diagnostic tests and therefore do not have a related professional code. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes.</p>	1 Pic x(1)

FIELD # & ITEM	LENGTH & PIC
<p>The total RVUs for technical component only codes include values for practice expense and malpractice expense only.</p> <p>4 = Global test only codes: This indicator identifies stand alone codes for which there are associated codes that describe: a) the professional component of the test only and b) the technical component of the test only. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes. The total RVUs for global procedure only codes include values for physician work, practice expense, and malpractice expense. The total RVUs for global procedure only codes equals the sum of the total RVUs for the professional and technical components only codes combined.</p> <p>5 = Incident to codes: This indicator identifies codes that describe services covered incident to a physicians service when they are provided by auxiliary personnel employed by the physician and working under his or her direct supervision.</p> <p>Payment may not be made by A/B MACs (B) for these services when they are provided to hospital inpatients or patients in a hospital outpatient department. Modifiers 26 and TC cannot be used with these codes.</p> <p>6 = Laboratory physician interpretation codes: This indicator identifies clinical laboratory codes for which separate payment for interpretations by laboratory physicians may be made. Actual performance of the tests is paid for under the lab fee schedule. Modifier TC cannot be used with these codes. The total RVUs for laboratory physician interpretation codes include values for physician work, practice expense and malpractice expense.</p> <p>7 = Private practice therapist's service: Payment may not be made if the service is provided to either a hospital outpatient or a hospital inpatient by a physical therapist, occupational therapist, or speech-language pathologist in private practice.</p> <p>8 = Physician interpretation codes: This indicator identifies the professional component of clinical laboratory codes for which separate payment may be made only if the physician interprets an abnormal smear for hospital inpatient. This applies only to code 85060. No TC billing is recognized because payment for the underlying clinical laboratory test is made to the hospital, generally through the PPS rate.</p> <p>No payment is recognized for code 85060 furnished to hospital outpatients or non-hospital patients. The physician interpretation is paid through the clinical laboratory fee schedule payment for the clinical laboratory test.</p> <p>9 = Concept of a professional/technical component does not apply.</p>	
<p>21</p> <p>Multiple Procedure (Modifier 51)</p> <p>Indicator indicates which payment adjustment rule for multiple procedures applies to the service.</p> <p>0 = No payment adjustment rules for multiple procedures apply. If procedure is reported on the same day as another procedure, base payment on the lower of: (a) the actual charge or (b) the fee schedule amount for the procedure.</p>	<p>1 Pic (x)1</p>

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<p>1 = Standard payment adjustment rules in effect before January 1, 1996, for multiple procedures apply. In the 1996 MPFSDB, this indicator only applies to codes with procedure status of “D.” If a procedure is reported on the same day as another procedure with an indicator of 1,2, or 3, rank the procedures by fee schedule amount and apply the appropriate reduction to this code (100 percent, 50 percent, 25 percent, 25 percent, 25 percent, and by report). Base payment on the lower of: (a) the actual charge or (b) the fee schedule amount reduced by the appropriate percentage.</p> <p>2 = Standard payment adjustment rules for multiple procedures apply. If procedure is reported on the same day as another procedure with an indicator of 1, 2, or 3, rank the procedures by fee schedule amount and apply the appropriate reduction to this code (100 percent, 50 percent, 50 percent, 50 percent, 50 percent, and by report). Base payment on the lower of: (a) the actual charge or (b) the fee schedule amount reduced by the appropriate percentage.</p> <p>3 = Special rules for multiple endoscopic procedures apply if procedure is billed with another endoscopy in the same family (i.e., another endoscopy that has the same base procedure). The base procedure for each code with this indicator is identified in field 31G. Apply the multiple endoscopy rules to a family before ranking the family with other procedures performed on the same day (for example, if multiple endoscopies in the same family are reported on the same day as endoscopies in another family or on the same day as a non-endoscopic procedure).</p> <p>If an endoscopic procedure is reported with only its base procedure, do not pay separately for the base procedure. Payment for the base procedure is included in the payment for the other endoscopy.</p> <p>4 = Subject to 25% reduction of the TC diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2010). Subject to 50% reduction of the TC diagnostic imaging (effective for services July 1, 2010 and after). Subject to 25% reduction of the PC of diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2016). Subject to 5% reduction of the PC of diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2017 and after).</p> <p>5 = Subject to 20% reduction of the practice expense component for certain therapy services furnished in office and other non-institutional settings, and 25% reduction of the practice expense component for certain therapy services furnished in institutional settings (effective for services January 1, 2011 and after). Subject to 50% reduction of the practice expense component for certain therapy services furnished in both institutional and non-institutional settings (effective for services April 1, 2013 and after).</p> <p>6 = Subject to 25% reduction of the TC diagnostic cardiovascular services (effective for services January 1, 2013 and after).</p> <p>7 = Subject to 20% reduction of the TC diagnostic ophthalmology services (effective for services January 1, 2013 and after).</p> <p>9 = Concept does not apply.</p>	
<p>22 Bilateral Surgery Indicator (Modifier 50)</p>	<p>1 Pic (x)1</p>

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<p>This field provides an indicator for services subject to a payment adjustment.</p> <p>0 = 150 percent payment adjustment for bilateral procedures does not apply. If procedure is reported with modifier -50 or with modifiers RT and LT, base payment for the two sides on the lower of: (a) the total actual charge for both sides or (b) 100 percent of the fee schedule amount for a single code. Example: The fee schedule amount for code XXXXX is \$125. The physician reports code XXXXX-LT with an actual charge of \$100 and XXXXX-RT with an actual charge of \$100.</p> <p>Payment would be based on the fee schedule amount (\$125) since it is lower than the total actual charges for the left and right sides (\$200).</p> <p>The bilateral adjustment is inappropriate for codes in this category because of (a) physiology or anatomy or (b) because the code descriptor specifically states that it is a unilateral procedure and there is an existing code for the bilateral procedure.</p> <p>1 = 150 percent payment adjustment for bilateral procedures applies. If code is billed with the bilateral modifier or is reported twice on the same day by any other means (e.g., with RT and LT modifiers or with a 2 in the units field), base payment for these codes when reported as bilateral procedures on the lower of: (a) the total actual charge for both sides or (b) 150 percent of the fee schedule amount for a single code.</p> <p>If code is reported as a bilateral procedure and is reported with other procedure codes on the same day, apply the bilateral adjustment before applying any applicable multiple procedure rules.</p> <p>2 = 150 percent payment adjustment for bilateral procedure does not apply. RVUs are already based on the procedure being performed as a bilateral procedure. If procedure is reported with modifier -50 or is reported twice on the same day by any other means (e.g., with RT and LT modifiers with a 2 in the units field), base payment for both sides on the lower of (a) the total actual charges by the physician for both sides or (b) 100 percent of the fee schedule amount for a single code.</p> <p>Example: The fee schedule amount for code YYYYYY is \$125. The physician reports code YYYYYY-LT with an actual charge of \$100 and YYYYYY-RT with an actual charge of \$100. Payment would be based on the fee schedule amount (\$125) since it is lower than the total actual charges for the left and right sides (\$200).</p> <p>The RVUs are based on a bilateral procedure because: (a) the code descriptor specifically states that the procedure is bilateral; (b) the code descriptor states that the procedure may be performed either unilaterally or bilaterally; or (c) the procedure is usually performed as a bilateral procedure.</p> <p>3 = The usual payment adjustment for bilateral procedures does not apply. If procedure is reported with modifier -50 or is reported for both sides on the same day by any other means (e.g., with RT and LT modifiers or with a 2 in the units field), base payment for each side or organ or site of a paired organ on the lower of: (a) the actual charge for each side or (b) 100% of the fee schedule amount for each side. If procedure is reported as a bilateral procedure and with other</p>	

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<p>procedure codes on the same day, determine the fee schedule amount for a bilateral procedure before applying any applicable multiple procedure rules.</p> <p>Services in this category are generally radiology procedures or other diagnostic tests which are not subject to the special payment rules for other bilateral procedures.</p> <p>9 = Concept does not apply.</p>	
<p>23</p> <p>Assistant at Surgery</p> <p>This field provides an indicator for services where an assistant at surgery is never paid for per IOM.</p> <p>0 = Payment restriction for assistants at surgery applies to this procedure unless supporting documentation is submitted to establish medical necessity.</p> <p>1 = Statutory payment restriction for assistants at surgery applies to this procedure. Assistant at surgery may not be paid.</p> <p>2 = Payment restriction for assistants at surgery does not apply to this procedure. Assistant at surgery may be paid.</p> <p>9 = Concept does not apply.</p>	1 Pic (x)1
<p>24</p> <p>Co-Surgeons (Modifier 62)</p> <p>This field provides an indicator for services for which two surgeons, each in a different specialty, may be paid.</p> <p>0 = Co-surgeons not permitted for this procedure.</p> <p>1 = Co-surgeons could be paid; supporting documentation required to establish medical necessity of two surgeons for the procedure.</p> <p>2 = Co-surgeons permitted; no documentation required if two specialty requirements are met.</p> <p>9 = Concept does not apply.</p>	1 Pic (x)1
<p>25</p> <p>Team Surgeons (Modifier 66)</p> <p>This field provides an indicator for services for which team surgeons may be paid.</p> <p>0 = Team surgeons not permitted for this procedure.</p> <p>1 = Team surgeons could be paid; supporting documentation required to establish medical necessity of a team; pay by report.</p> <p>2 = Team surgeons permitted; pay by report.</p> <p>9 = Concept does not apply.</p>	1 Pic (x)1
<p>26</p> <p>Filler</p>	1 Pic (x)1
<p>27</p> <p>Site of Service Differential</p> <p>For 1999 and beyond, the site of service differential no longer applies. The following definitions will apply for all years after 1998:</p> <p>0 = Facility pricing does not apply.</p>	1 Pic (x)1

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<p>1 = Facility pricing applies. 9 = Concept does not apply.</p>	
<p>28 Non-Facility Fee Schedule Amount This field shows the fee schedule amount for the non-facility setting. This amount equals Field 34. Note: Field 33 D indicates if an additional adjustment should be applied to this formula. Non-Facility Pricing Amount for the File Year [(Work RVU * Work GPCI) + (Non-Facility PE RVU * PE GPCI) + (MP RVU * MP GPCI)] * Conversion Factor</p>	9 Pic 9(7)v99
<p>29 Facility Fee Schedule Amount This field shows the fee schedule amount for the facility setting. This amount equals Field 35. Note: Field 33D indicates if an additional adjustment should be applied to this formula. Facility Pricing Amount for the File Year [(Work RVU * Work GPCI) + (Facility PE RVU * PE GPCI) + (MP RVU * MP GPCI)] * Conversion Factor Place of service codes to be used to identify facilities. 02 – Telehealth-Medicare pays telehealth services at the facility rate. 19 – Off Campus-Outpatient Hospital 21 - Inpatient Hospital 22 – On Campus-Outpatient Hospital 23 - Emergency Room - Hospital 24 - Ambulatory Surgical Center – In a Medicare approved ASC, for an approved procedure on the ASC list, Medicare pays the lower facility fee to physicians. Beginning with dates of service January 1, 2008, in a Medicare approved ASC, for procedures NOT on the ASC list of approved procedures, contractors will also pay the lower facility fee to physicians. 26 - Military Treatment Facility 31 - Skilled Nursing Facility 34 - Hospice 41 - Ambulance - Land 42 - Ambulance Air or Water 51 - Inpatient Psychiatric Facility 52 - Psychiatric Facility Partial Hospitalization 53 - Community Mental Health Center 56 - Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility 61 - Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility</p>	9 Pic 9(7)v99
29A	1 Pic x

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<p>Anti-markup Test Indicator</p> <p>This field provides an indicator for Anti-markup Test HCPCS codes:</p> <p>‘1’ = Anti-markup Test HCPCS.</p> <p>‘9’ = Concept does not apply.</p>	
<p>30</p> <p>Record Effective Date</p> <p>This field identifies the effective date for the MPFSDB record for each HCPCS. The field is in YYYYMMDD format.</p> <p>NOTE: This is not the date the HCPCS code was created. It is the date the code was updated or added to the MPFSDB file for the current file year. This field is set to January 1 for all codes during the annual update process.</p>	8 Pic x(8)
<p>31</p> <p>Filler</p>	28 Pic x(28)
<p>31EE</p> <p>Reduced therapy fee schedule amount</p>	9Pic(7)v99
<p>31DD</p> <p>Filler</p>	1Pic x(2)
<p>31CC</p> <p>Imaging Cap Indicator</p> <p>A value of “1” means subject to OPPS payment cap determination.</p> <p>A value of “9” means not subject to OPPS payment cap determination.</p>	1Pic x(1)
<p>31BB</p> <p>Non-Facility Imaging Payment Amount</p>	9Pic(7)v99
<p>31AA</p> <p>Facility Imaging Payment Amount</p>	9Pic(7)v99
<p>31A</p> <p>Physician Supervision of Diagnostic Procedures</p> <p>This field is for use in post payment review.</p> <p>01 = Procedure must be performed under the general supervision of a physician.</p> <p>02 = Procedure must be performed under the direct supervision of a physician.</p> <p>03 = Procedure must be performed under the personal supervision of a physician.</p> <p>(Diagnostic imaging procedures performed by a Registered Radiologist Assistant (RRA) who is certified and registered by The American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) or a Radiology Practitioner Assistant (RPA) who is certified by the Certification Board for Radiology Practitioner Assistants (CBRPA),</p>	2 Pic x(2)

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<p>and is authorized to furnish the procedure under state law, may be performed under direct supervision.)</p> <p>04 = Physician supervision policy does not apply when procedure is furnished by a qualified, independent psychologist or a clinical psychologist; otherwise must be performed under the general supervision of a physician.</p> <p>05 = Not subject to supervision when furnished personally by a qualified audiologist, physician or non physician practitioner. Direct supervision by a physician is required for those parts of the test that may be furnished by a qualified technician when appropriate to the circumstances of the test.</p> <p>06 = Procedure must be personally performed by a physician or a physical therapist (PT) who is certified by the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties (ABPTS) as a qualified electrophysiological clinical specialist and is permitted to provide the procedure under State law. Procedure may also be performed by a PT with ABPTS certification without physician supervision.</p> <p>21 = Procedure may be performed by a technician with certification under general supervision of a physician; otherwise must be performed under direct supervision of a physician. Procedure may also be performed by a PT with ABPTS certification without physician supervision.</p> <p>22 = May be performed by a technician with on-line real-time contact with physician.</p> <p>66 = May be personally performed by a physician or by a physical therapist with ABPTS certification and certification in this specific procedure.</p> <p>6A = Supervision standards for level 66 apply; in addition, the PT with ABPTS certification may personally supervise another PT, but only the PT with ABPTS certification may bill.</p> <p>77 = Procedure must be performed by a PT with ABPTS certification (TC & PC) or by a PT without certification under direct supervision of a physician (TC & PC), or by a technician with certification under general supervision of a physician (TC only; PC always physician).</p> <p>7A = Supervision standards for level 77 apply; in addition, the PT with ABPTS certification may personally supervise another PT, but only the PT with ABPTS certification may bill.</p> <p>09 = Concept does not apply.</p>	
<p>31B This field has been deleted to allow for the expansion of field 31A.</p>	
<p>31C Facility Setting Practice Expense Relative Value Units</p>	9 Pic(7)v99
<p>31D Non-Facility Setting Practice Expense Relative Value Units</p>	9 Pic(7)v99
<p>31E Filler</p>	9 Pic(7)v99

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31F Filler Reserved for future use.	1 Pic x(1)
31G Endoscopic Base Codes This field identifies an endoscopic base code for each code with a multiple surgery indicator of 3.	5 Pic x(5)
32A 1996 Transition/Fee Schedule Amount This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain a zero.	9 Pic 9(7)v99
32B 1996 Transition/Fee Schedule This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain spaces.	1 Pic x(1)
32C 1996 Transition/Fee Schedule Amount When Site or Service Differential Applies This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain a zero.	9 Pic 9(7)v99
33A Units Payment Rule Indicator Reserved for future use. 9 = Concept does not apply.	1 Pic x(1)
33B Mapping Indicator This field is no longer applicable since transitioning ended in 1996. This field will contain spaces.	1 Pic x(1)
33C Anti-markup Locality—Informational Use—Locality used for reporting utilization of anti-markup services. NOT FOR A/B MAC (B) USE: These Medicare Advantage encounter pricing localities are for Shared System Maintainer purposes only. The locality values were developed to facilitate centralized processing of encounter data by the Medicare Advantage organizations.	2 Pic x(2)
33D Calculation Flag This field is informational only; the SSMs do not need to add this field. The intent is to assist A/B MACs (B) to understand how the fee schedule amount in fields 28 and 29 are calculated. The MMA mandates an additional adjustment to selected HCPCS codes. A value of “1” indicates an additional fee schedule adjustment of 1.32 in 2004 and 1.03 in 2005. A value of “0” indicates no additional adjustment needed. A value of “2” indicates an additional fee schedule adjustment of 1.05 effective 7/1/2008.	1 Pic x(1)

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<p>33 E</p> <p>Diagnostic Imaging Family Indicator</p> <p>For services effective January 1, 2011, and after, family indicators 01 - 11 will not be populated.</p> <p>01 = Family 1 Ultrasound (Chest/Abdomen/Pelvis – Non Obstetrical)</p> <p>02 = Family 2 CT and CTA (Chest/Thorax/Abd/Pelvis)</p> <p>03 = Family 3 CT and CTA (Head/Brain/Orbit/Maxillofacial/Neck)</p> <p>04 = Family 4 MRI and MRA (Chest/Abd/Pelvis)</p> <p>05 = Family 5 MRI and MRA (Head/Brain/Neck)</p> <p>06 = Family 6 MRI and MRA (spine)</p> <p>07 = Family 7 CT (spine)</p> <p>08 = Family 8 MRI and MRA (lower extremities)</p> <p>09 = Family 9 CT and CTA (lower extremities)</p> <p>10 = Family 10 Mr and MRI (upper extremities and joints)</p> <p>11 = Family 11 CT and CTA (upper extremities)</p> <p>88 = Subject to the reduction of the TC diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2011, and after). Subject to the reduction of the PC diagnostic imaging (effective for services January 1, 2012 and after).</p> <p>99 = Concept Does Not Apply</p>	2Pic x(2)
<p>33F</p> <p>Performance Payment Indicator</p> <p>(For future use)</p>	1 Pic x (1)
<p>33G</p> <p>National Level Future Expansion</p>	3 Pic x (3)
<p>34</p> <p>Non-Facility Fee Schedule Amount</p> <p>This field replicates field 28.</p>	9 Pic 9(7)v99
<p>35</p> <p>Facility Fee Schedule Amount</p> <p>This field replicates field 29.</p>	9 Pic 9(7)v99
<p>36</p> <p>Filler</p>	1 Pic x(1)
<p>37</p> <p>Future Local Level Expansion**</p> <p>The Updated 1992 Transition Amount was previously stored in this field. A/B MACs (B) can continue to maintain the updated transition amount in this field.</p>	7 Pic x(7)
<p>38A</p> <p>Future Local Level Expansion**</p> <p>The adjusted historical payment basis (AHPB) was previously stored in this field. A/B MACs (B) can continue to maintain the AHPB in this field.</p>	7 Pic x(7)
<p>38 B</p>	8 Pix x(8)

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<p>Filler</p> <p>This field was originally established for 15 spaces. Since AHPB data will only use 7 of the 15 spaces, A/B MACs (B) have 8 remaining spaces for their purposes.</p> <p>** These fields will be appended by each A/B MAC (B) at the local level.</p>	