

<b>CMS Manual System</b>	<b>Department of Health &amp; Human Services (DHHS)</b>
<b>Pub 100-20 One-Time Notification</b>	<b>Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)</b>
<b>Transmittal 11953</b>	<b>Date: April 12, 2023</b>
	<b>Change Request 12954</b>

**Transmittal 11894 issued March 10, 2023, is being rescinded and replaced by Transmittal 11953, dated, April 12, 2023, to revise business requirement 12954.1. All other information remains the same.**

**SUBJECT: User Enhancement Change Request (UECR): ViPS Medicare System (VMS) - Update Beneficiary Information Tracking System (BITS) Edit BT06 to allow the Response Date to be equal to the Receipt Date**

**I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES:** The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to update an edit within the BITS that requires that the date of the response or closure of the BITs record to be at least one day after the date of receipt of the Prior Authorization or Advance Determination Medical Claim (ADMC) case. The edit will be updated to allow the Response Date to be equal to the Receipt Date.

**EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2023**

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

**IMPLEMENTATION DATE: July 3, 2023**

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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.

<b>R/N/D</b>	<b>CHAPTER / SECTION / SUBSECTION / TITLE</b>
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:**

# Attachment - One-Time Notification

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## I. GENERAL INFORMATION

**A. Background:** The purpose of this UECR is to update an edit within the BITS that currently requires that the date of the response or closure of the BITS record to be at least one day after the date of receipt of the Prior Authorization Request (PAR) or Advance Determination Medical Claim (ADMC) case. The edit will be updated to allow the Response Date to be equal to the Receipt Date. In a previous User Change Request, VP1002, logic was implemented to invoke an edit BT06-RESPONSE DATE MUST BE > RECEIPT DATE on the BITS- ADMC Tracking Screen. This requires that the date of the response or closure of the BITS record must be at least one day after the date of receipt of the Prior Authorization or ADMC case. With the expansion of Prior Authorization with short turnarounds, this edit is preventing the Durable Medical Equipment (DME) MACs from completing a Prior Authorization the day it is received. The DME MACs would like this edit updated to allow immediate processing of Prior Authorization and/or ADMC requests.

**B. Policy:** This CR does not update policy.

## 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	M A C	F I S	M C S		V M S	C W F
12954.1	GDIT shall update BITS to allow the Response Date to be equal to the Receipt Date of the ADMC or PAR.								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		
	None					

**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:

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

**V. CONTACTS**

**Pre-Implementation Contact(s):** Kay Curry, 410-786-1801 or Kay.Curry@cms.hhs.gov

**Post-Implementation Contact(s):** Contact your Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

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