





Part A Fall 2024 Virtual Conference:

Keeping Compliant with Medicare Starts With You

November 12th, 14th, and 19th

Using Medicare Resources

11/12/2024





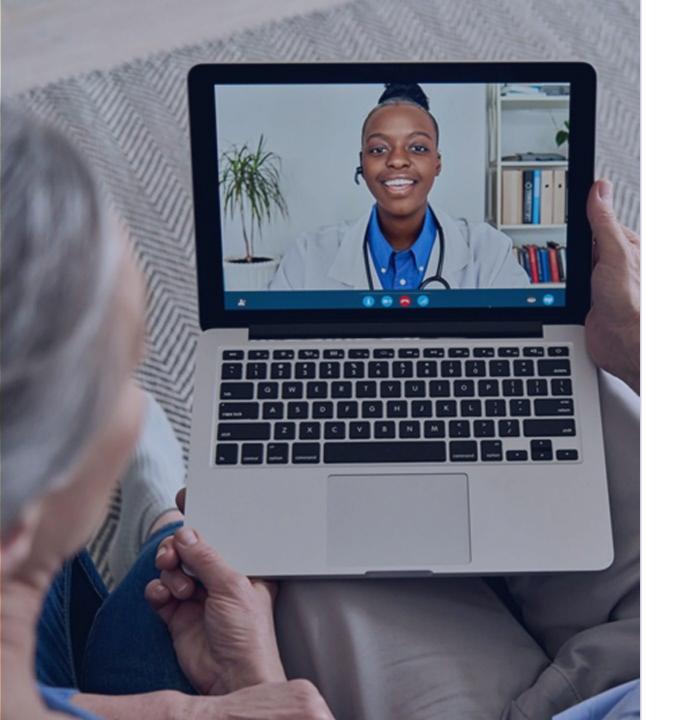


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Objective

After this session, attendees will be able to:

- Use NGS' website to find helpful information and self-service tools for use in billing Medicare claims
- Search CMS' website for Medicare regulations and other helpful information





Today's Presenters



- Christine Janiszcak
 - Provider Outreach and Education Consultant
- Michael Dorris
 - Provider Outreach and Education Lead







Agenda

- NGS Medicare Resources
- CMS Medicare Resources
- Wrap Up
- Questions and Answers



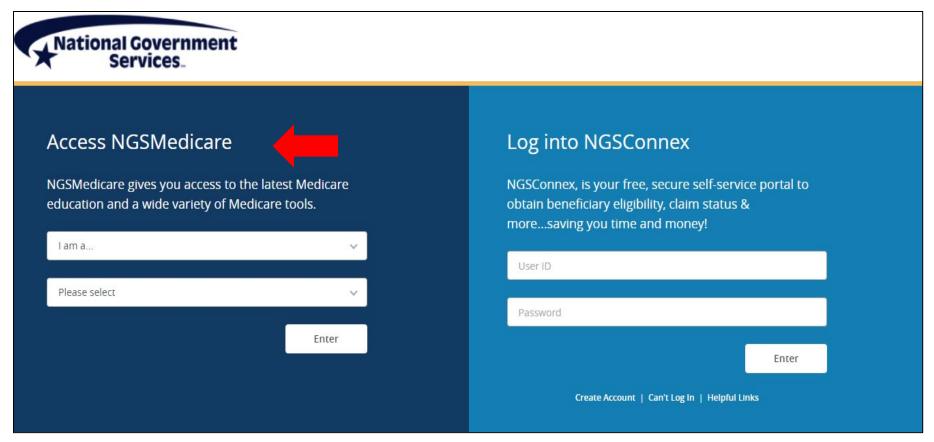




NGS Medicare Resources

NGS Website – Landing Page

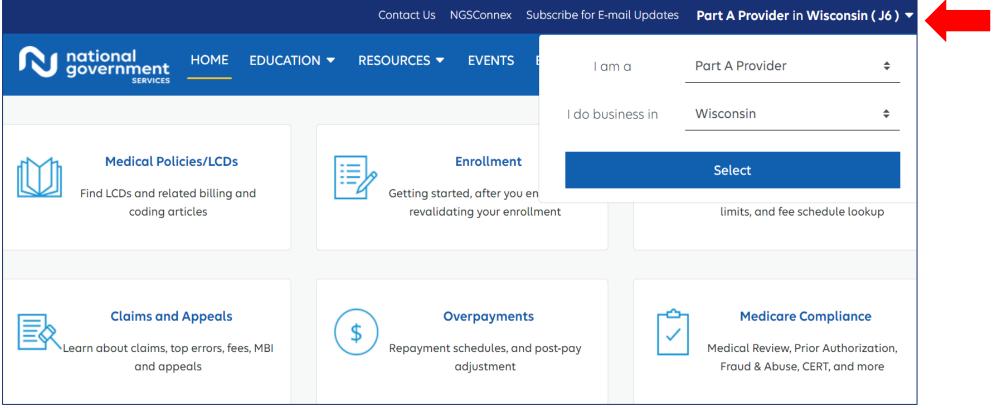
Access <u>our website</u> or log into NGSConnex





NGS Website – Home Page

 Top tabs, switch between LOB or NGS contract, top navigation bar and tiles





NGS Website – Top Navigation Bar

- Click on
 - National Government Services logo to go back to landing page
 - Home to return to home page from anywhere in website
 - Education, Resources, Events, Enrollment and Apps tabs for specialized information
 - Search function (magnifying glass) to enter topic

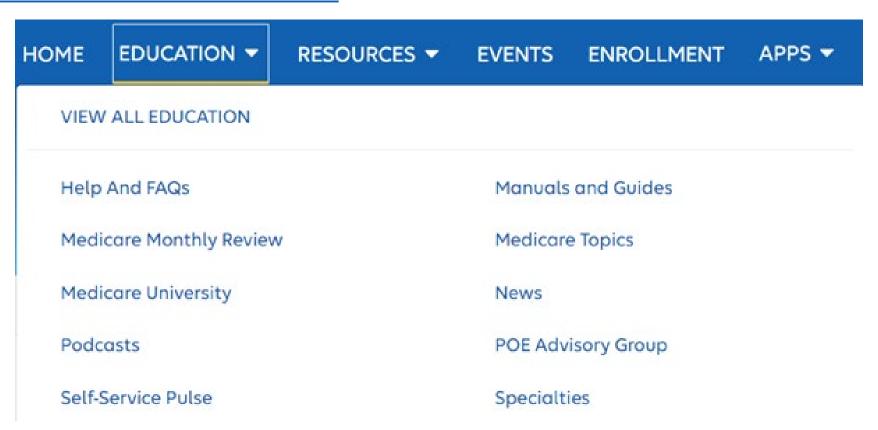






NGS Website - Education Tab

NGS website – Education





Education > Medicare Monthly Review

- News for all LOBs
 - NGS articles for all provider types
 - CMS MLN Connects® Weekly Provider eNews
- Share with
 - Health care practitioners
 - Managerial staff
- Available at no cost from our website





Medicare Monthly Review

October 2024

September 2024

August 2024

July 2024

June 2024

May 2024

April 2024

March 2024

February 2024

January 2024

December 2023

In This Issue

National Government Services Articles for Part A and Part B Providers

- Common Working File Host Dark Days for October 2024 Release
- LCD and Article Updates for August/September 2024
- October 2024 EDI Front End Quarterly Release
- New Version of PC-ACE: October 2024
- Tobacco Counseling via Telehealth
- National Government Services Contractor Advisory Committee Meeting
- LCD and Article Updates for September/October 2024

National Government Services Articles for Part A Providers

 Credit Balance Reporting Reminder: Submissions for Quarter Ending 9/30/2024 Start Soon!



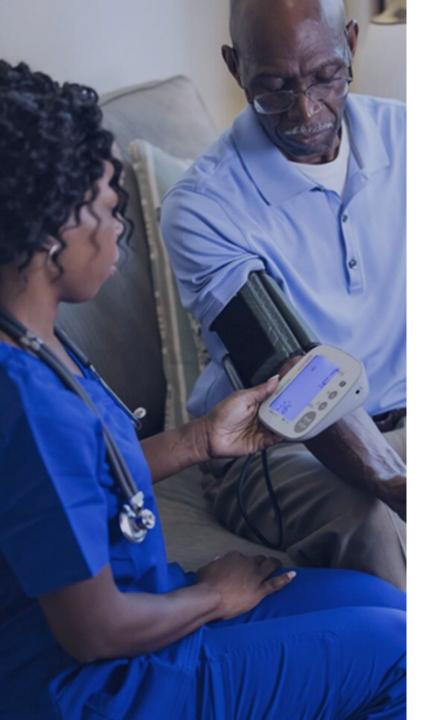


Education > Medicare University

- Create account: <u>Medicare University Self Sign Up</u>
- Log in: <u>Medicare University Secure login</u>
- Free online learning platform
 - Offers compute-based training
 - Interactive online learning
 - Various topics
 - Flexibility
 - You determine your schedule
 - Available 24/7
 - Self-paced
- Retrieve, view, download certificates from our webinars







Education > News



NGS and CMS News

Posted daily



Complete search fields and hit search

Search box: Enter topic

Timeframe: Dropdown; number of days or year

Source: Dropdown; various options



Review results

Great way to find information on specific topics





Education > Podcasts



Navigating Medicare: Part A Insights for Providers

Listen to our podcast on Spotify and Apple Podcasts! We will have a new episode on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Spotify:



Apple Podcasts:





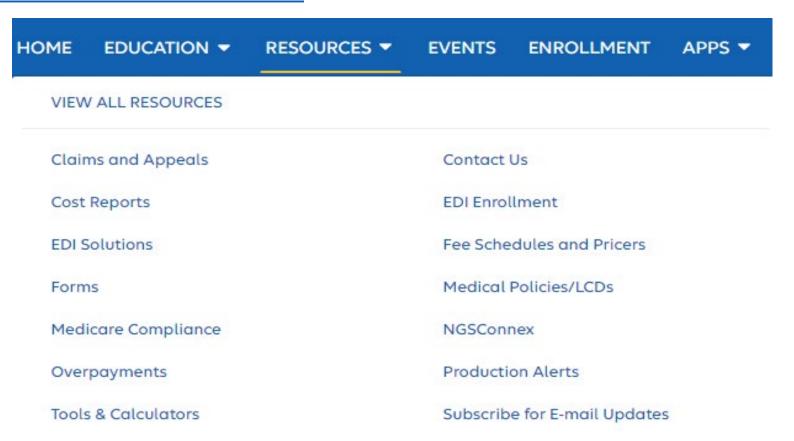
Education > POE Advisory Group

- We maintain four POE AGs
 - Primary communication vehicle between us/provider community
 - Meet three four times per year online (Part A)
 - To become member, email request as outlined on website
- Mission and Charter
- Membership Rosters
- Meeting Schedules
- Meeting Minutes



NGS Website – Resources Tab

NGS website – Resources





Resources > Contact Us



<u>Interactive Voice Response</u> (IVR)

Claim status, deductibles, checks and other general information



NGSConnex

Free, secure self-service portal to obtain beneficiary eligibility, claim status and more...saving you time and money



Provider Contact Center

Claims processing, Medicare information/billing, general guidance, or other complex issues



Mailing Addresses

ADRs, claims, EDI, FOIA, medical policy, enrollment, or other inquiries





Resources > Medical Policies/LCDs

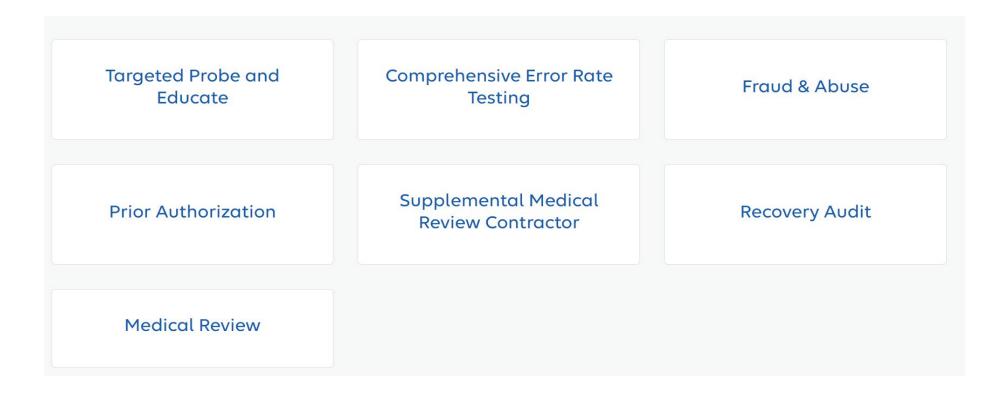
Use search box to search LCDs and medical policy articles





Resources > Medicare Compliance

• NGS website - Medicare Compliance





Resources > NGSConnex

- Free, secure, web-based application developed by NGS just for you!
- Provides access to self-service functions:
 - Obtain beneficiary eligibility information
 - Query for your claim status
 - Initiate and check status of redetermination and reopening requests
 - View your provider demographic information
 - Query for your financial data
 - Obtain duplicate 1099s
 - Submit documents for responses to Additional Documentation Requests
 - Submit quarterly Credit Balance Reports
- How to Register and NGS User Guide





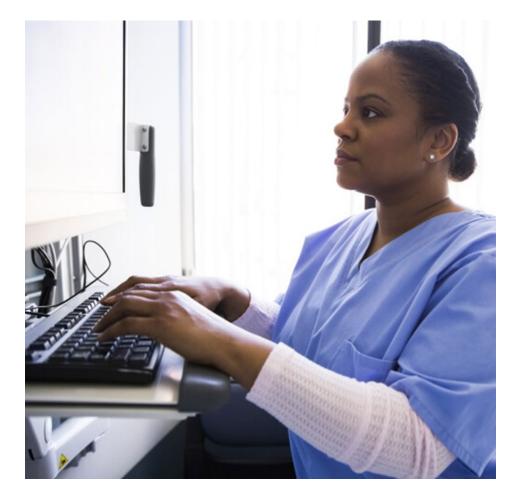
Production Alert Detail – Example

- HCPCS 75580 Returning to Provider with Reason Code 32402
 - **Date Reported**: 9/18/2024
 - Status: Open
 - **Provider Types Impacted**: Part A providers in J6 and JK
 - **Reason Code(s):** 32402
 - Claim Coding Impact: HCPCS code 75580
 - **Description of Issue**: Part A claims billed with HCPCS 75580 receiving reason code 32402 when billed with cardiology revenue code (048X) and cannot process for payment. CMS determined claims should be allowed to process when HCPCS 75580 is billed with a cardiology revenue code.
 - **NGS Action**: We will update HCPCS Screen (MAP1294) for HCPCS 75580 to remove revenue code restrictions
 - **Provider Action**: Wait until 9/20/2024, then resubmit or correct claims that did not process as expected with HCPCS 75580 due to this issue



Resources > Subscribe to E-mail Updates

- Complete profile
- Choose Jurisdictions for all Email updates you want to receive
 - J6: Part A, B, HHH and FQHC
 - JK: Part A, B, HHH and FQHC
- Select <u>Subscribe</u>

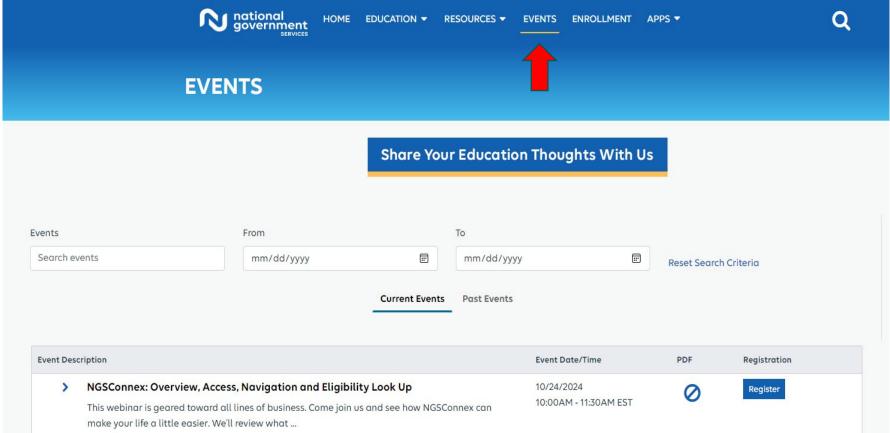






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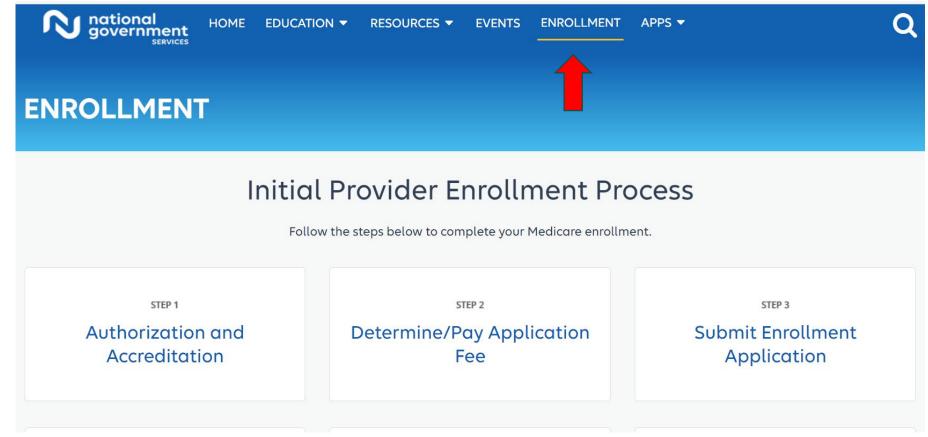
• NGS website - Events





NGS Website – Enrollment Tab

NGS website - Enrollment





NGS Website – Apps Tab

HOME EDUCATION ▼ RESOURCES ▼ EVENTS ENROLLMENT APPS ▼

- LinkedIn
- Medicare University
- NGSConnex
- NPPES
- PC-ACE
- PECOS
- Podcast
- YouTube

















CMS Medicare Resources

CMS Website

- CMS website
 - Home page features:
 - Five tabs including Medicare and Training & Education
 - Top four resources including:
 - Medicare fee schedules
 - Codes for claim reimbursement
 - Manuals, Forms and Transmittals
 - Recent articles
 - Helpful links
 - Email update sign up (type in email and hit sign up button)





CMS Website – Medicare Tab





CMS Website – Medicare Tab Content

- Enrollment & renewal
- Coverage
- Regulations & guidance
- Coding & billing
- Payment
- Medicare-Medicaid coordination
- Appeals & grievances
- Quality

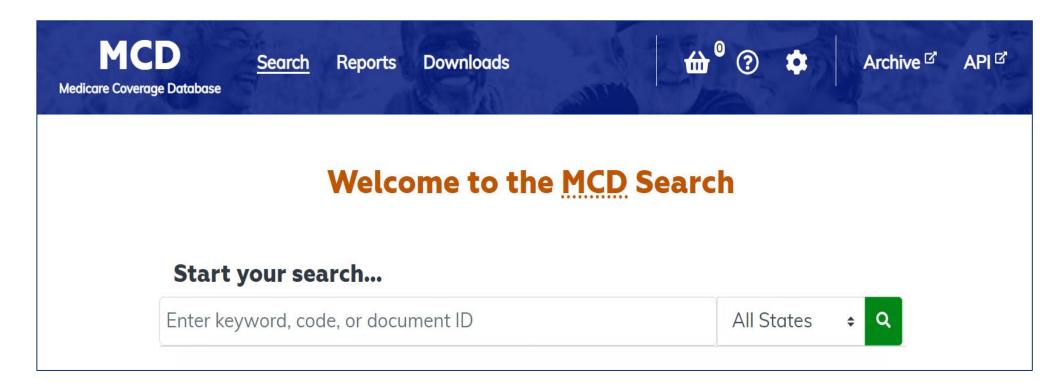
- Health & safety standards
- Employers & plan sponsors
- Innovation Center
- Audits & Compliance
- Forms & notices
- Health & drug plans
- Coordination of benefits & recovery
- Settlements





Coverage > Medicare Coverage Database

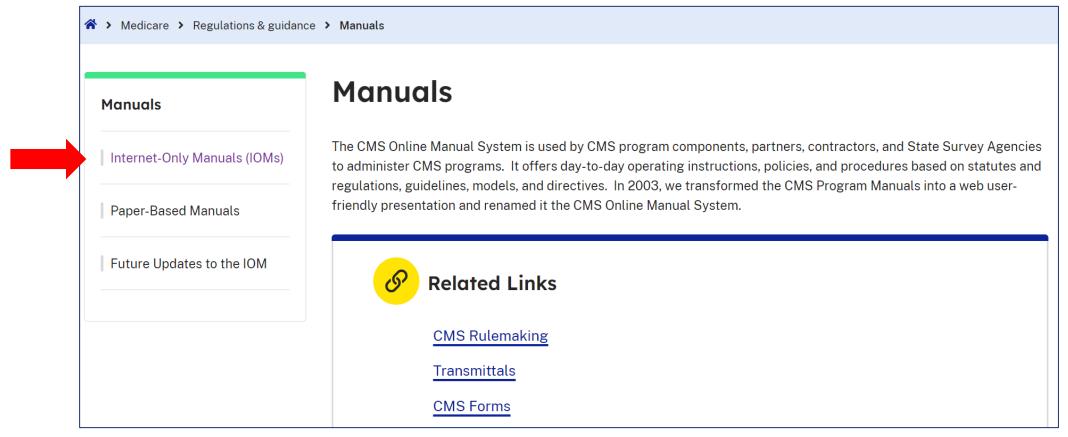
• CMS website - Medicare Coverage Database





Regulations & Guidance > Manuals > IOMs

• CMS website - IOMs





Regulations & Guidance > Manuals

- Day-to-day operating instructions, policies, regulations and guidelines for Medicare Program
- Used by contractors to administer CMS programs
- Structured in Publication/Chapter/Section format
 - <u>100-01</u> Medicare General Information, Eligibility and Entitlement Manual
 - <u>100-02</u> Medicare Benefit Policy Manual
 - <u>100-03</u> Medicare National Coverage Determinations Manual
 - <u>100-04</u> Medicare Claims Processing Manual
 - <u>100-05</u> Medicare Secondary Payer Manual
 - <u>100-06</u> Medicare Financial Management Manual
 - <u>100-07</u> State Operations Manual
 - <u>100-08</u> Medicare Program Integrity Manual





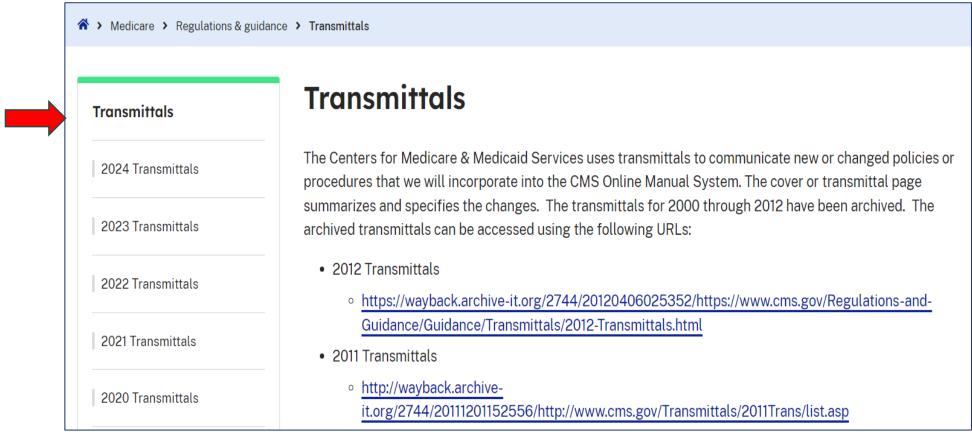
Regulations & Guidance > Transmittals

- Transmittals communicate new or changed policies or procedures to MACs
 - Some change IOMs
 - Some may provide one-time only notifications
- Also called "Change Requests" or "CRs"
- "Provider-friendly" MLN Matters® Articles published for many (but not all) transmittals
- On CMS website, can search transmittals from 2013 to present from Transmittals page
 - Transmittals for 2000 2012 archived (URLs on webpage)



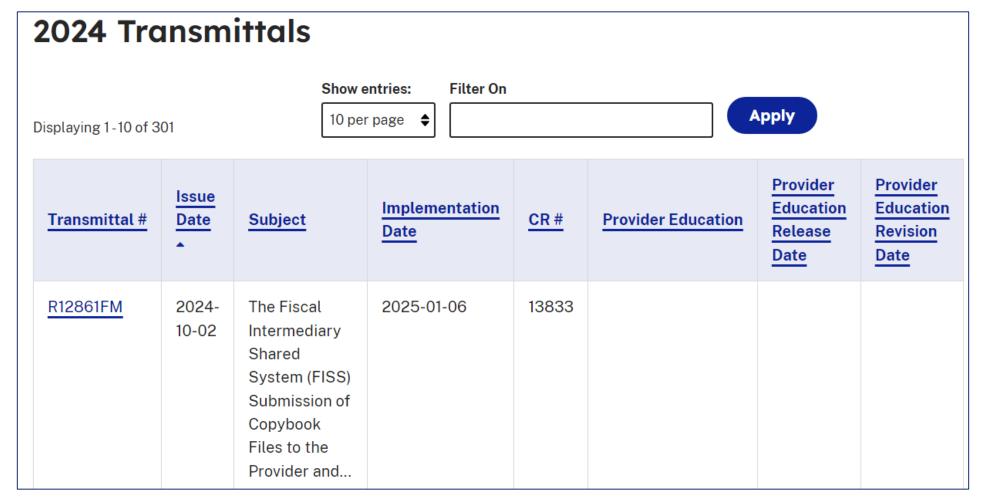
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• CMS website – Transmittals





Searching Transmittals





Transmittal Overview

R12808CP

Transmittal # R12808CP

Issue Date 2024-08-22

Subject New Waived Tests

Implementation Date 2024-10-07

CR # 13757

Provider Education MLN Matters Article MM13757

Provider Education

Release Date

2024-08-26

Publication # 100-04

Transmittal Year 2024



R12808CP

MM13757-New Waived Tests

- Same information as in chart on previous page
- Message published in MLN Connects® Newsletter (when applicable)
- Scroll to bottom of page for Downloads section for link(s)
 - Transmittal
 - MLN Matters® Article
 - Not written for all transmittals

Transmittal Details (Top of First Page)

CMS Manual System	Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)		
Pub 100-04 Medicare Claims Processing	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)		
Transmittal 12808	Date: August 22, 2024		
	Change Request 13757		

SUBJECT: New Waived Tests

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: The purpose of this Change Request (CR) is to inform contractors of new Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) waived tests approved by the Food and Drug Administration. Since these tests are marketed immediately after approval, the CMS must notify its contractors of the new tests so that the contractors can accurately process claims. There is one (1) newly added waived complexity test. This recurring update notification applies to chapter 16, section 70.8 of the Internet Only Manual (IOM).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2024

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

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 7, 2024





MLN Matters® Articles

- Similar information to transmittals
- Fewer pages
- Organized to assist providers in obtaining critical "need to know" information at a glance



New Waived Tests

Related CR Release Date: August 22, 2024

MLN Matters Number: MM13757

Effective Date: October 1, 2024

Related Change Request (CR) Number: CR 13757

Implementation Date: October 7, 2024

Related CR Transmittal Number: R12808CP

Affected Providers

- Hospitals
- Physicians
- Suppliers

Action Needed

Make sure your billing staff knows about:

- Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) requirements
- New CLIA-waived test approved by the FDA
- Use of modifier QW for CLIA-waived tests

Background

CLIA regulations require a facility to be appropriately certified for each test they do. CMS edits laboratory claims at the CLIA certificate level to make sure that Medicare and Medicaid only pay for laboratory tests in a facility with a valid, current CLIA certificate.



Medicare > Coordination of Benefits & Recovery

- Coordination of Benefits & Recovery
 - Coordination of benefits overview
 - MSP
 - BCRC
- Providers should **not** contact BCRC to correct existing MSP records or set up new MSP records



CMS Website – Training & Education Tab

• CMS website - Training & Education





CMS Website – Training & Education Tab Content

- CMS National Training Program
- Partner outreach resources
- Medicare Learning Network (MLN)
- CMS Open Door Forums
- Look up topics
- Learn more
- Find your provider type





CMS National Training Program

- National Training Program resources
- Class modules





MLN Resources & Training

Resources and Training





MLN Publications & Multimedia





Web-Based Training

- Free, self-paced learning on broad range of topics for providers
 - Contact MLN@cms.hhs.gov if questions about WBT courses
 - Subscribe to MLN Connects® newsletter for updates and to find out when new WBT courses are available
- Available courses include:
 - World of Medicare (September 2022) (60 min.)
 - Medicare Billing: 8371 & Form CMS-1450 (August 2023) (90 minutes)
 - <u>Diagnosis Coding: Using the ICD-10-CM</u> (August 2023) (60 minutes)
 - Procedure Coding: Using the ICD-10-PCS (August 2023) (60 minutes).
 - Medicare Fraud & Abuse: Prevent, Detect, Report (February 2020) (88 minutes)



MLN Matters® Articles

- Locate MLN Matters® Articles without going to Transmittals page
 - Medicare Learning Network > Resources & Training > MLN Matters® Articles
- "Provider Education" column indicates if article or MLN Connects® newsletter message
- Search database
 - Filter by subject or article number
 - To search all years, leave Transmittal Year as "any"



MLN Matters® Articles Page

Displaying 1-10 o	f 406	Show entried 10 per page			Transmittal \	/ear	Apply
Transmittal #	Issue Date▲	Subject	Implementation Date	<u>CR#</u>	Provider Education	Provider Education Release Date	Provider Education Revision Date
R12848CP	2024- 09-18	Influenza Vaccine Payment Allowances - Annual Update for 2024-2025 Season	2024-09-30	13718	MLN Connects Newsletter Message	2024-08-22	
R12847CP	2024- 09-13	Additional Implementation Edits on Hospice Claims for Hospice Certifying Physician Medicare	2024-10-07	13531	MLN Matters Article MM13531	2024-04-18	2024-09-19



MLN Connects® Newsletter

News

Get weekly Medicare Fee-for-Service email updates



MLN Connects® Newsletter



Compliance

Learn about issues and avoid common billing errors



- Provider Compliance
- CERT Outreach & Education Task Force

- Subscribe for information on
 - Program and policy details
 - News and announcements
 - Press releases
 - Claim, Pricer, and code information
 - Upcoming educational event registration and reminders
 - Updates on new and revised MLN Matters Articles® and publications



Provider Compliance

News

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CERT Outreach & Education Task Force

- Provider Compliance
 - Online educational tool with helpful tips and links
- CERT Outreach & Education Task Force
 - Education Resources
 - Web-based Training
 - Presentations
 - Events
 - CERT VIdeos



CMS Open Door Forums

Open Door Forums







Person(s) on Medicare

- Annual version of <u>Medicare & You</u> Publication A CMS Handbook for Medicare beneficiaries
 - Published annually in various versions
- Other beneficiary resources:
 - 1-800-Medicare (1-800-633-4227)/(TTY users: 1-877-486-2048)
 - Available 24 hours/day; seven days/week
 - To speak to a live person: either say 'agent' or press 0
 - Medicare.gov
 - State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Locator
 - Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Locator
 - Social Security Administration





What You Should Do Now

- Use all available resources to stay informed about Medicare
- Take actions to be compliant with Medicare's rules and regulations
- Attend our webinars
- Share information with peers





Questions?

Thank you!







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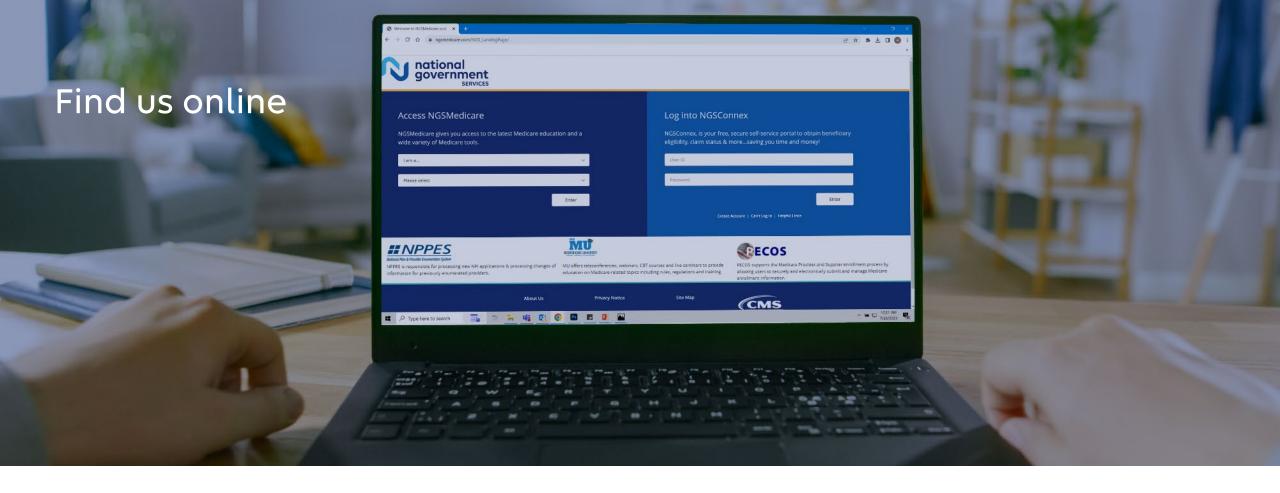














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Online resources, event calendar, LCD/NCD, and tools



IVR System

The interactive voice response system (IVR) is available 24-hours a day, seven days a week to answer general inquiries



NGSConnex

Web portal for claim information



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