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#### NEW/REVISED MATERIAL--EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001

IMPLEMENTATION DATE: October 1, 2001 with the exception of Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Reporting and Tracking System (RTS) functions. Scope of FISS systems changes are outlined in the attachment.

All Fiscal Intermediaries using all other MSP systems (both DataMatch and Liability with the exception (FISS-RTS) noted above) will be required to fully implement these instructions on October 1, 2001.

This is a full replacement to the Intermediary manual concerning the preparation and submission of Contractor Financial Reports (Form HCFA – 750 and 751).

<u>Section 1900, General</u>, explains guidelines for reporting financial activities for benefit payments by Medicare Contractors in accordance with the Chief Financial Officers (CFOs) Act of 1990.

<u>Section 1910, Instructions for Completing the HCFA-750A/B Contractor Financial Reports</u>, explains how financial data will be submitted to HCFA.

Section 1920, Instructions for Completing the HCFA-751A/B Status of Accounts Receivable, explains how financial data will be submitted to HCFA.

Section 1930, Instructions for Completing the HCFA-C751A/B Status of Non-Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Debt CNC, explains how financial data will be submitted to HCFA.

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Section 1960, Exhibits, provides exhibits to be used to prepare contractor financial reports.

HCFA will provide written guidance (under separate cover) to FISS users on RTS.

DISCLAIMER: The revision date and transmittal number only apply to the redlined material. All other material was previously published in the manual and is only being reprinted.

Supplemental Budget Requests (SBRs) can be submitted if preliminary implementation work is necessary during fiscal year 2001. Otherwise, these instructions should be considered and implemented within your fiscal year 2002 operating budget.

**Attachment** 

#### **ATTACHMENT**

For clarification purposes, the following items/descriptions are scheduled for the October release for the FISS.

- 1) Modify the system so that existing reports will provide detail information per accounting transaction.
- 2) 1923.3: Modify the current PIP accrual process.
- 3) 1923.6, 4B: modify the system to specifically identify funds offset collections separately from cash/check collections.
- 4) 1923.6, 4C: modify the system to identify any collections deposited at one location in payment of a receivable at another location. This would include capability of input of the cash receipt with an indicator specifying the transaction as such, what contractor location (FI #) the deposit was made and subsequent reporting of the same activity.
- 5) 1923.7: modify the system to identify waived receivable activity from adjusted and transferred, create double entry account transactions, daily reports, and CFO reports. 1923.9: modify the 751 Part A and Part B reports ending balance calculation.
- 6) 1923.12: To generate two reports one for MSP and the other for Non-MSP activity that will reflect Providers/Payees in Bankruptcy, that have been terminated, and that are on a Repayment Plan, listing the outstanding receivables. This includes modifying the financial system to generate a report to include the three categories and modifying the RTS to be able to identify providers/payees in the two categories (bankruptcy and termination) and generate the report.
- 7) 1923.14: modify the system to have a process that information identifies cash/offsets received for a receivable at another location. This activity would include at a minimum the FI #, dollar amount separately reporting the principal and interest. See exhibit 21.
- 8) 1960.11: Modify the system for the Account number changes. Removal of the core system changes to create double entry account transaction. Modify the system for stale dating and DNF to be worked under CR1364. Modify the system for the batch header can be worked under 1960.15. Thus work the remaining issues. Modify the system for the account number changes. Modify the system to specifically identify dollars withheld for late cost report by claim and settlement activity.

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#### 1900. GENERAL

The Contractor Financial Reports provide a method of reporting financial activities for benefit payments by Medicare contractors according to the Chief Financial Officers (CFOs) Act of 1990. This requires that Medicare contractors maintain accounting records according to government accounting principles and applicable government laws and regulations. This requirement complies with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Bulletin No. 98-01, Form and Content of Agency Financial Statements. These policies and procedures are developed by the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB).

The accounting principles and the auditing standards required are not substantially different from Generally Accepted Accounting Principals (GAAP) and Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS) as formulated by the accounting profession. Government accounting principals, which are developed by FASAB, however, require maintaining records not only for preparing financial statements, but also to enforce applicable laws and regulations. Accounts are maintained to provide control over operations as well as to provide financial information.

Medicare contractors are required to use double entry bookkeeping and accrual basis accounting. For example, if an accounts receivable is established, accounts receivable should be debited and, most likely, operating/program expense should be credited. If an accounts payable is established, accounts payable should be credited and, most likely, operating/program expense should be debited. In addition, the information reported must be supported by your books and records as of the end of the period requested and adequate audit trails must be maintained. To ensure accurate reporting, proper cutoff procedures must also be established in order to limit reporting to the activities attributable to the reporting period. Where actual data is not available, reasonable estimates are acceptable. See Exhibits 12 through 15 for protocols for estimating relevant accounts. When end of period entries are made to accrue account balances, reverse the entries in the following quarter to allow normal processing of accounting transactions.

In order to maintain consistent and accurate financial reporting, Medicare contractors must have an internal control structure that integrates the accounting and claims processing systems. The internal control structure must provide for the following control procedures:

- (1) Independent review of proper valuation of recorded amounts and performance;
- (2) Segregation of duties (separate authorization, record keeping, and custody);
- (3) Safeguards over access to assets and records;
- (4) Authorization of transactions and activities;
- (5) Documents and records that are adequate to ensure proper recording; and
- (6) Quarterly reconciliation of internal systems to the Provider Overpayment Report (POR) system.

Supporting documentation must be maintained and available for review and audit. This must include lead schedules for all amounts used for report preparation and detailed documentation, such as demand letters for accounts receivable. A very good procedure that HCFA recommends to ensure the accuracy of reported amounts, is trending and comparative analysis. This analysis involves comparing reported amounts to prior amounts to identify material errors.

Hardcopy books and records used to prepare the annual financial reports should be retained for 6 years unless microfilmed. Then, the hardcopy needs to be retained for 3 years and the microfilm retained for the balance of the 6-year period.

The Office of the Inspector General (OIG) will conduct audits of Medicare contractors according to government auditing standards. This requirement complies with OMB Bulletin No. 98-08, Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements. Applicable government laws and regulations also supplement the government auditing standards. These standards are similar to those contained in the Comptroller General of the United States Standards for Audit of Governmental Organizations, Programs, Activities, and Functions (The Yellow Book).

# 1910. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM HCFA750A/B, CONTRACTOR FINANCIAL REPORTS

There are separate reports and data screens for Part A, Hospital Insurance (HI), and Part B, Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) in the Contractor Administrative-Budget and Financial Management (CAFM) system. Enter data in both HI and SMI data screens (see Exhibits 1 and 2).

The data for the report is HI and SMI financial information as defined in the Medicare contractor Account Definitions (see Exhibit 11). In order to facilitate reconciliation, balancing and error resolution, report all data in dollars and cents.

The data contained in this report may not equate on a one-to-one basis with data reported to HCFA in other reports, such as Draws on Letter of Credit, reported on Form HCFA-1521. Records must be maintained that will allow reconciliation of Form HCFA-750A/B with those other reports.

#### 1911. DUE DATE

This report is due on January 21, April 21, July 21, October 21 (21 days after the end of each quarter) via the CAFM system. If that date occurs on a holiday or a weekend, the report is due the following Federal workday.

#### 1912. CERTIFICATION

Medicare contractor certification by the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) is required. The CFO must input his password on the CAFM system (see Exhibit 16). Failure to record the official's password is a serious error that will prevent acceptance of the report by the CAFM system. The following statement appears at the end of Form HCFA-750A/B:

I hereby CERTIFY that I have examined the Statement of Financial Position prepared by <u>name of</u> contractor for the period beginning (first day of fiscal year (FY)) and ending (last day of quarter),

and that to the best of my know	wledge and belief, it is a true, correct an	d complete statement prep
from the books and records or	f the contractor in accordance with app	olicable instructions.
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1920. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM HCFA-751A/B, STATUS OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

There are separate reports and data screens for Part A, HI and Part B, SMI in the CAFM system. Enter data in both HI and SMI data screens (see Exhibits 3 and 4).

Report the accounts receivable activity for fiscal year-to-date (FYTD) for the period of the report. In order to facilitate reconciliation, balancing and error resolution, report the accounts receivable in dollars and cents.

The reports require information both for the amount and the number of accounts receivable. To provide standardization, HCFA is suggesting that you use your collection process as a guide when reporting the number of accounts receivable. For example, a separate, stand alone accounts receivable collected would be reported as a quantity in the number column.

#### **EXAMPLES**:

- (1) A cost report is one receivable. Even though several claims are associated with the cost report, the collection activity would be against the entire cost report rather than each claim.
- (2) A demand letter issued in a Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) case to one debtor with several claims listed on the letter. If the collection is made and posted against an individual claim, each claim on the demand letter would be an individual receivable.

Once the principal number is established, report the interest associated with the principal amount in the same manner. There can be a difference between the principal number and the interest number because some receivables are not subject to interest.

#### 1921. DUE DATE

This report is due on January 21, April 21, July 21, October 21 (21 days after the end of each quarter) via the CAFM system. If that date occurs on a holiday or a weekend, the report is due the following Federal workday.

#### 1922. CERTIFICATION

Medicare contractor certification by the CFO is required. The CFO must input his password on the CAFM system (see Exhibit 16). Failure to record the official's password is a serious error that will prevent acceptance of the report by the CAFM system. The following statement appears at the end of Form HCFA-751A/B:

<u>contractor</u> for the period beging best of my knowledge and be	ing (first day of FY) and ending	es Receivable prepared by <u>name of</u> ( <u>last day of quarter</u> ), and that to the plete statement prepared from the ble instructions.
NAME	DATE	TITLE

#### 1923. LINE ITEM INSTRUCTIONS FORM HCFA-751A/B

Medicare contractors must develop and maintain transaction level detail (at a minimum, this would include the provider name, provider number, date of determination, outstanding balance, and any adjustments or recoupments) by debt to support the amounts reported for each line outlined below. All amounts reported must be reconciled to the detailed documentation and the POR system.

#### Part I, Status of Receivables

#### Section A – Outstanding Receivables

- 1923.1 <u>Line 1, Beginning FY Balance (Principal & Interest).</u>—Enter the number and amount for all accounts receivable outstanding as of the beginning of the FY. These amounts will be pre-filled with the ending balances reported on the preceding (9/30/XX) FY Contractor Financial Reports. Make any corrections to the beginning principal and interest FY balance only on Line 5a, Adjusted Amounts, Internal Adjustments. Apply the offsetting entry, on the related Form HCFA-750 report (debit or credit) to Operating/Program Expense for transactions that affect principal, or interest revenue if the transaction affects interest.
- 1923.2 <u>Line 2a, New Receivables (Principal)</u>.--Enter the number and amount for all new receivables established at your location during the FY. New receivables would include cost report settlements, claims accounts receivables, and credit balances. Do not include those receivables transferred from other Medicare contractors, other HCFA locations, Currently Not Collectible (CNC) or other transferred locations in prior fiscal periods. Include all of these items on Lines 5b, 5d, 5f or 6b, Transferred In Amounts.
- 1923.3 <u>Line 2b, Accrued Receivables (Principal)</u>.--Enter the number and amount of Periodic Interim Payment (PIP) accrued receivables, fiscal year-to-date on this line. The <u>only</u> receivable a fiscal intermediary will accrue are those that result from comparing PIP payments to claims submitted. For each quarterly reporting period, a new accrual is established and the prior quarter's accrual must be reversed or zeroed out. Both the establishment and reversal of the PIP accrual must be reflected in this line, except for the reversal of the September's quarterly accrual which would be reflected in Line 5a, Adjusted Amounts, Internal Adjustments (see Exhibit 13).
- 1923.4 <u>Line 3, Interest Earned (Interest).</u>—Enter the amount of interest earned on: (a) existing or new receivables established at your location during the FY, and (b) interest earned on receivables transferred to you, following the date the receivables are established on your records. Do not include the amount of accrued interest earned at other locations. Report the accrued interest earned at other locations as transferred in on Lines 5b, 5d, 5f or 6b, Transferred In Amounts.
- 1923.5 <u>Line 4a, Cash/Check Collections on Receivables (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount collected by cash/check on receivables during the fiscal period.
- 1923.6 <u>Line 4b, Offset Collections on Receivables (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount collected by offset on receivables during the fiscal period.
- 1923.7 <u>Line 4c, Collections Deposited at Another Location (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount collected or offset at another location by a Medicare contractor or central office (CO). Do not transfer the case to the location where the deposit or offset of the money is made. Upon notification, enter the amount collected or offset at another location in this line to reduce the outstanding amount of the receivable being reported on Form HCFA-751A/B.

The Medicare contractor or CO that records the actual deposit of cash/check/offset will record this amount on Line 10, Cash/Offsets Received for Receivables at Another Location. (See §1923.15 for instructions and Exhibit 18 Collection Reconciliation/Acknowledgement Form).

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1923.8 Line 5, Adjusted/Transferred/Waived Amounts (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of receivables you have adjusted, transferred in from or out to other locations, or waived. You are required to maintain supporting documentation and records for all these receivables transferred in and out. Amounts transferred in from or out to other HCFA locations or Medicare contractors must be reconciled to the other entity's records for the same reporting period prior to submission of the quarterly Form HCFA-751A/B reports to ensure that only approved transfers are being reported. Documentation of the reconciliation must be maintained and must indicate that a supervisory review of the reconciliation was performed. Please refer to Exhibit 17 for instructions for the transfer of debt between other reporting entities.

#### Report in lines:

- 5a. Adjusted Amounts (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount for any adjustments to the beginning balance, or corrections/adjustments of receivables previously established during the fiscal period. These adjustments can be either positive or negative. Separately report adjustments resulting from Auditor/Consultant recommendations, and those determined independently.
- 5b. <u>Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount transferred in from other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.
- 5c. <u>Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount transferred out to other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.
- 5d. <u>Transfers In from other HCFA Locations, POR (Principal & Interest).--</u>Enter the amount transferred in from other HCFA locations and reported on the POR during the fiscal period.
- 5e. <u>Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, POR (Principal & Interest).</u>—Enter the amount transferred out to other HCFA locations and reported on the POR during the fiscal period.
- 5f. <u>Transfers In from other HCFA Locations, Not POR (Principal & Interest)</u>. Enter the amount transferred in from other HCFA locations and not reported on the POR during the fiscal period.
- 5g. <u>Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount transferred out to other HCFA locations and not reported on the POR during the fiscal period.
- 5h. Waivers (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of accounts receivable waived based on the application of §§ 1862(b) and 1870(c) of the Social Security Act.
- 1923.9 <u>Line 6, Amounts Written-off Closed (Bad Debts)/Transferred CNC (Principal & Interest)</u>.-Enter the amount which you have written-off as a bad debt, or transferred to or from CNC.

#### Report in lines:

- 6a. <u>Amounts Written-off Closed (Bad Debts) (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount for which collection efforts have been abandoned. (This would include the remaining balance on accounts receivable after the bankruptcy court has ruled on bankruptcy, appeals, and other litigated cases).
- 6b. <u>Transfers In from CNC (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount re-established as active debt that was previously reclassified as CNC during the fiscal period.
- 6c. <u>Transfers Out to CNC (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount removed from the ending balance and reclassified as CNC during the fiscal period.

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1923.10 <u>Line 7, Ending Balance (Principal & Interest)</u>.--The ending balance is a computed field reporting the number (manual entry) and amount for receivables outstanding as of the end of the reporting period. It equals:

Principal Interest Beginning FY Balance (Line 1) + Beginning FY Balance (Line 1) New Receivables (Line 2a) + Interest Earned (Line 3) +/- Accrued Receivables (Line 2b) - Collections on Interest (Line 4a-c) Collections on Receivables (Line 4a-4c) +/- Adjusted/Transferred Amounts (Line 5a-5g) +/- Adjusted/Transferred Amounts (Line 5a-5g) Waivers (Line 5h) Waivers (Line 5h) +/- Amounts Written-off/Transferred CNC +/- Amounts Written-off/Transferred CNC (Lines 6a-c) (Lines 6a -c) = Ending Balance (Line 7) = Ending Balance (Line 7)

**NOTE:** Although Line 7 is a calculated amount, you must be able to provide a detailed listing of all outstanding receivable balances that support this line at any given period of time. The ending balance must be equal to the accounts receivable and interest receivable amounts reported on Form HCFA-750A/B, Statement of Financial Position.

- 1923.11 <u>Line 7a, Current Receivables (Principal)</u>.--Enter the amount of receivables due within 12 months following the reporting period. The definition of current and non-current does not depend on the time a debt is outstanding, but when the debt is due. A receivable for which the due date is 12 months or less from the report date is a current receivable. For example, a debt due September 30, 2000, within 12 months from the date of a report for September 30, 1999, is a current receivable. In addition, all delinquent receivables are to be reported as current. Debts with a negotiated and agreed upon extended repayment schedule, should be assigned between current and non-current, based on the installment payment dates.
- 1923.12 <u>Line 7b, Non-current Receivables (Principal)</u>.--Enter the amount of non-current receivables due more than 12 months after the reporting period. The definition of non-current receivables includes those receivables for which the due date is more than 12 months from the end of the reporting period. For example, those receivables for which the due date is October 1, 2000, 1 year from the date of a report for September 30, 1999, are non-current receivables.
- 1923.13 <u>Line 8, Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of the ending balance reported in Line 7 for accounts receivable you estimate will not be collectible. (See Exhibit 14 Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts).
- 1923.14 <u>Line 9, Total Receivables Net of Allowance (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Total Receivables Net of Allowance is a computed field (Line 7 less Line 8) reporting your estimate of the amount of accounts receivable you reasonably expect to collect.
- 1923.15 <u>Line 10</u>, <u>Cash/Offsets Received for Receivables at Another Location (Principal & Interest)</u>.--This line shall be used in the instances where a Medicare contractor, RO or CO has received cash/check/offset for a receivable that is being reported by another entity, i.e., Medicare contractor or other HCFA locations on its H751 or R751, respectively. In this situation, the case will not be transferred to the location where the deposit or offset of money is made. The Medicare contractor will enter the amount received and deposited or offset of receivables being reported at another location in this line.

The other Medicare contractor or HCFA location who reports the receivable on Form HCFA-751A/B and Form HCFA-R751 will reduce the outstanding balance of the receivable for the amount deposited or offset by the other Medicare contractor or CO by recording the amount of the collection in Line 4c, Collection Deposited at Another Location. (See Exhibit 18 Collection Reconciliation/Acknowledgement Form).

#### Section B – Delinquent Receivables

- 1923.16 <u>Line 1, Total Not Delinquent (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of accounts receivable that are not delinquent.
- 1923.17 <u>Line 2, Total Delinquencies (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of delinquent receivables. Enter the amount of the past due payment unless the full amount is normally due and declared payable. The debt becomes delinquent the day following the date that the debt is due with all extensions recognized. Thus, if the debt is due 30 days after demand, the first day of delinquency starts on day 31. If any portion of a debt has been delinquent more than 180 days, the entire amount is reported as delinquent. Enter the amount of receivables that are delinquent for the respective periods (a through i) indicated.
- 1923.18 <u>Line 3, Status of Delinquent Receivables, less than or equal to 180 Days (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of delinquent receivables 180 days old and less, which are in (a) Bankruptcy, (b) Appeal, (c) Department of Justice, (d) Referred for Cross Servicing and/or (e) Other Status.
- 1923.19 <u>Line 4, Status of Delinquent Receivables, greater than or equal to 181 Days (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of delinquent receivables 181 days old and greater, which are in (a) Bankruptcy, (b) Appeal, (c) Department of Justice, (d) Referred for Cross Servicing and/or (e) Other Status.

#### Section C – Other Collections

- 1923.20 <u>Line 4c, Collections Deposited at Another Location (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution of collections on receivables, by location, for amounts offset or received and deposited at another location. The total amounts listed in this section must equal the amount reflected in Section A, Line 4c of this report.
- 1923.21 <u>Line 10, Cash/Offsets Received for Receivables at Another Location (Principal & Interest).</u>—Enter the distribution of collections received and deposited or offset for receivables that are being reported by another location. The total amounts listed in this section must equal the amount reflected in Section A, Line 10 of this report.
- 1923.22 <u>Collections on Delinquent Debt</u>.--Enter the amount of collections on receivables which were delinquent upon collection. The total amount should be less than total collections for the FY.

#### Section D – Transferred Receivables

Enter the distribution of debts transferred to Medicare contractors or other HCFA locations. The data in this section will be reported on Section A of Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable Transfers Out to other Medicare contractors or other HCFA locations, and will be used by you and other locations to reconcile your books and records.

The data in this section is the same data entered in Section A Outstanding Receivables, Line 5c, Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors; Line 5e, Transfers Out to other HCFA locations on the POR; and Line 5g, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR.

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- 1923.23 <u>Line 5c, Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution to Medicare contractor locations of the debts, entered in Line 5c, Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors, reflected in Section A of this report.
- 1923.24 <u>Line 5e, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, POR (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution to the various regional offices (ROs) or CO of the debts on the POR, entered in Line 5e, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, POR, reflected in Section A of this report.
- 1923.25 <u>Line 5g, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution to the various ROs or CO of the debts not reported on the POR, entered in Line 5g,Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR, reflected in Section A of this report.

# 1930. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE HCFA-C751A/B, STATUS OF NON-MSP DEBT - CURRENTLY NOT COLLECTIBLE (CNC)

There are separate reports and data screens for Part A, HI and Part B, SMI in the CAFM system. Enter data in both HI and SMI data screens (see Exhibits 5 and 6).

Report the Non-MSP CNC accounts receivable activity for FYTD for the period of the report. In order to facilitate reconciliation, balancing and error resolution, report the CNC accounts receivable in dollars and cents.

The reports require information both for the amount and the number of accounts receivable. To provide standardization, HCFA is suggesting that you use your collection process as a guide when reporting the number of accounts receivable. For example, a separate, stand alone accounts receivable collected would be reported as a quantity in the number column.

Once the principal number is established, report the interest associated with the principal amount in the same manner. There can be a difference between the principal number and the interest number because some receivables are not subject to interest.

#### 1931. DUE DATE

This report is due on January 21, April 21, July 21, October 21 (21 days after the end of each quarter) via the CAFM system. If that date occurs on a holiday or a weekend, the report is due the following Federal workday.

#### 1932. CERTIFICATION

Medicare contractor certification by the CFO is required. The CFO must input his password on the CAFM system (see Exhibit 16). Failure to record the official's password is a serious error that will prevent acceptance of the report by the CAFM system. The following statement appears at the end of the HCFA-C751A/B:

I hereby CERTIFY that I have examined the Status of Non-MSP Debt – CNC prepared by <u>name of contractor</u> for the period beginning (<u>first day of FY</u>) and ending (<u>last day of quarter</u>), and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is a true, correct and complete statement prepared from the books and records of the contractor in accordance with applicable instructions.

books and records of the contractor in accordance with applicable instructions.		
NAME	DATE	TITLE

#### 1933. LINE ITEM INSTRUCTIONS HCFA-C751A/B – NON-MSP

The following instructions are to be used by Medicare contractors to report the status of Non-MSP Currently Not Collectible (CNC) debt. Medicare contractors must develop and maintain transaction level detail (at a minimum, this would include the provider name, provider number, date of determination, outstanding balance, and any adjustments or recoupments) by debt to support the amounts reported for each line outlined below (see Exhibits 5 and 6). Medicare contractors must reclassify Non-MSP debt as CNC in accordance with HCFA policy (see Exhibit 19).

#### Section A – CNC Debt

- 1933.1 <u>Line 1, Beginning FY Balance (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Report the number and amount for all CNC debts outstanding as of the beginning of the FY. These amounts will be pre-filled (upon report automation) with the ending balances from the prior FY on Form HCFA-C751A/B, Status of Non-MSP Debt-CNC Financial Report. Make any corrections to the beginning principal and interest FY balance only on Line 4e, Reclassified CNC Debt Other.
- 1933.2 <u>Line 2, New CNC Debt (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the number and amount of all debt approved by HCFA RO and CO for CNC during the FY. This line should include the outstanding principal balance and all outstanding interest associated with the debt that was earned up to the date the debt was removed from Form HCFA-751A/B reports and included on the current Form HCFA-C751A/B report. This amount must equal the principal and interest amounts reported on Line 6c, Transfers Out to CNC on Form HCFA-751A/B.
- 1933.3 <u>Line 3, Interest Earned Since CNC Approval (Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of interest earned in this fiscal year on CNC debt since the date the debt was reclassified and included in Line 1, Beginning FY Balance and interest earned on debts reclassified to CNC during the FY included in Line 2, New CNC Debt on the current Form HCFA-C751A/B report.
- 1933.4 Lines 4(a) through (e), Reclassified CNC Debt (Principal & Interest).--Reclassified CNC debt reported on these lines must agree with the amount reported on Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC on Form HCFA-751A/B. Medicare contractors must retain all documentation supporting any reclassified amounts. (tc \11 "Lines 4(a) through (e). Reclassified/Adjusted Amounts (Principal & Interest) -- Reclassified/adjusted amounts reported on this line must agree with the totals reported for this adjustment for CNC debts on Form HCFA-751, Status of Accounts Receivable HI and/or SMI, and must be annotated in the remarks section of Form HCFA-751 separately from other business reclassifications/adjustments for the period. Contractors must retain all documentation supporting any reclassification/adjusted amounts made.}

#### Report in lines:

4a. Re-established as Active Accounts Receivable (A/R) Due to Collection of Cash (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of CNC debt that is re-established as active debt because cash/checks have been collected on CNC debts during the FY. In addition, an upward adjustment for the full amount of the outstanding balance (principal and all interest associated with the debt included in Line 1, Beginning FY Balance; Line 2, New CNC Debt; and Line 3, Interest Earned Since CNC Approval on Form HCFA-C751A/B) for the CNC debt on which a collection should be applied, will be recorded on Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC on Form HCFA-751A/B. Simultaneously, the collection should be recorded on Line 4a, Cash/Check Collections on Form HCFA-751A/B. The effect of this transaction will reclassify the debt from an inactive memorandum entry to an active receivable that will be reported for financial statement purposes. Additionally, if the outstanding balance of the CNC debt was greater than the amount collected, the remaining balance of the debt is now considered an active accounts receivable which will be reported on Form HCFA-751A/B. Any new interest assessed on the remaining balance after it becomes active again will be reported on Line 3, Interest Earned on Form HCFA-751A/B. If after 12 months there is no collection activity on this debt, consider reclassifying it as CNC.

- 4b. Re-established as Active A/R Due to Collection by Offset (Principal and Interest).--Enter the amount of CNC debt that is re-established as active debt because offsets have been made on CNC debt during the FY. In addition, an upward adjustment for the full amount of the outstanding balance (principal and all interest associated with the debt included in Line 1, Beginning FY Balance; Line 2, New CNC Debt; and Line 3, Interest Earned Since CNC Approval of Form HCFA-C751A/B) for the CNC debt on which a collection should be applied, will be recorded on Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC on Form HCFA-751A/B. Simultaneously, the collection should be recorded on Line 4b, Offset Collections on Form HCFA-751A/B. The effect of this transaction will reclassify the debt from an inactive memorandum entry to an active receivable that will be reported for financial statement purposes. Additionally, if the outstanding balance of the CNC debt was greater than the amount collected, the remaining balance of the debt is now considered an active accounts receivable which will be reported on Form HCFA-751A/B. Any new interest assessed on the remaining balance after it becomes active again will be reported on Line 3, Interest Earned on Form HCFA-751A/B. If after 12 months there is no collection activity on this debt, consider reclassifying it as CNC.
- 4c. Re-established as Active A/R Due to Bankruptcy, Fraud & Abuse, Litigation, or Appeal (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of the CNC debt that has been re-established to be active debt because the CNC debt is now determined to be in bankruptcy, fraud & abuse, litigation, or appeal during the FY. In addition, an upward adjustment for the full amount of the outstanding balance (principal and all interest associated with the debt included in Line 1, Beginning FY Balance; Line 2, New CNC Debt; and Line 3, Interest Earned Since CNC Approval of the C751A/B) for the CNC debt on which a collection should be applied, will be recorded on Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC on Form HCFA-751A/B. The effect of this transaction will reclassify the debt from an inactive memorandum entry to an active receivable that will be reported for financial statement purposes. No new interest should be accrued on debts re-established as active due to bankruptcy, fraud and abuse, litigation or appeal.
- 4d. Written-off Closed (Principal & Interest).--Enter the number and amount of CNC debt that has been approved for written-off closed during the FY. The receivables will be "closed" in your internal systems. No further action will be taken on these debts. CNC debts that are written-off as closed will not be reported on the financial statements, and all collection activity (i.e., future offsets or interest accruals) and servicing of the debt will be terminated. The debts will be closed within the contractors records, reports, and accounts receivable systems. These debts will be written-off and closed through Form HCFA-C751A/B report on this line. These debts should not be reactivated on Form HCFA-751A/B.
- **NOTE:** Medicare contractors cannot write-off debt until formal approval has been received from the appropriate authorized official in accordance with the existing HCFA delegations of authority.
- 4e. Other (Principal & Interest).--Only use this line to make corrections to Form HCFA-C751A/B beginning principal and interest FY balance. Medicare contractors must retain all documentation justifying any adjustments made to the beginning balance.
- 1933.5 <u>Lines 5(a) through (f), Amounts Transferred (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of CNC debts that have been transferred in from or out to Medicare contractors or HCFA RO or CO during the FY. Do not enter an amount on these lines until you have received confirmation that the debt has been accepted by the Medicare contractor, HCFA RO or CO. (See Exhibit 17 Transfer of Debt Between Reporting Entities).

#### Report in lines:

- 5a. <u>Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest).</u>--Enter the amount of CNC debt transferred in from other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.
- 5b. <u>Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest).</u>--Enter the amount of CNC debt transferred out to other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.
- 5c. <u>Transfers In from HCFA RO (Principal & Interest).</u>--Enter the amount of CNC debt transferred in from RO during the fiscal period.
- 5d. <u>Transfers Out to HCFA RO (Principal & Interest).</u>--Enter the amount of CNC debt transferred out to RO during the fiscal period.
- 5e. <u>Transfers In from HCFA CO (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of CNC transferred in from CO during the fiscal period.
- 5f. <u>Transfers Out to HCFA CO (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of CNC transferred out to CO during the fiscal period.

Collection efforts do not cease when non-MSP debt is reclassified to CNC. Medicare contractors must recognize that all debts including CNC debt will continue to be referred (if eligible) to the Program Support Center (PSC), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) or the Treasury Offset Program (TOP).

Medicare contractors are expected to follow existing procedures for the routine referral of delinquent debt to the Debt Collection Center (DCC) in accordance with the Debt Collection Improvement Act (DCIA) of 1996.

Amounts transferred in from or out to other HCFA locations or Medicare contractors for the reporting period, must be reconciled to the other entity's records for the same reporting period prior to submission of the quarterly Form HCFA-750/751A/B. Medicare contractors and other HCFA locations must reconcile the transfers out lines to ensure that only <u>approved</u> transfers are being reported. Documentation of the reconciliation must be maintained and must indicate that a supervisory review of the reconciliation was performed. Please refer to Exhibit 17 for instructions for the transfer of debt between other reporting entities.

1933.6 <u>Line 6, Ending Balance (Principal & Interest)</u>.--The ending balance is a computed field, reporting the number (manual entry) and amount of CNC debt outstanding as of the end of the reporting period. It equals:

#### Principal

- + Beginning FY Balance (Line1)
- + New CNC Debt (Line 2)
- Re-established as Active A/R

Due to Collection of Cash (Line 4a)

- Re-established as Active A/R
- Due to Collection by Offset (Line 4b)
   Re-established as Active A/R
- Due to Bankruptcy, Fraud & Abuse Litigation or Appeal (Line 4c)
- Written-off Closed (Line 4d)
- +/-Other (Line 4e)
- + Transfers In From Medicare Contractors/ RO/CO (Lines 5a, 5c, 5e)

#### Interest

- + Beginning FY Balance (Line 1)
- + New CNC Debt (Line 2)
- + Interest Earned (Line 3)
- Re-established as Active A/R
  Due to Collection of Cash (Line 4a)
- Re-established as Active A/R

Due to Collection by Offset (Line 4b)

- Re-established as Active A/R

Due to Bankruptcy, Fraud & Abuse Litigation or Appeal (Line 4c)

- Written-off Closed (Line 4d)
- +/-Other (Line 4e)
- + Transfers in From Medicare Contractors/

- Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors/ RO/CO (Lines 5b, 5d, 5f) RO/CO (Lines 5a, 5c, 5e)
- Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors/
RO/CO (Lines 5b, 5d, 5f)

= Ending Balance (Line 6)

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**NOTE:** Although Line 6 is a calculated amount, you should be able to provide a detailed listing of all Non-MSP CNC receivable balances that support this line at any given period of time.

Section B – Aging of Non-MSP CNC Debt

1933.7 <u>Line 1, Total Aged CNC Debt (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the number and amount of Non-MSP CNC debt. The total dollar amount equals the sum of lines (a) through (e), and should also equal Line 6, Ending Balance on Form HCFA-C751A/B.

Report on lines (a) through (e) the dollar amounts of receivables aged from the date of determination of the debt for the respective time periods listed. Provide an explanation in the remarks section regarding why debts in category (d) and (e) were not recommended for written-off closed.

Section C – Collection Information

1933.8 <u>Collections on CNC Debt (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the number and amounts of cash/checks/offsets actually collected on Non-MSP CNC debt that is reported on Line 4a, Reestablished as Active A/R Due to Collection of Cash, and Line 4b, Re-established as Active A/R Due to Collection by Offset.

Section D – Status CNC Debt over 181 Days

1933.9 <u>Status of CNC Debt over 181 Days (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of delinquent receivables over 181 days old, which are in (a) Bankruptcy, (b) Appeal, (c) Department of Justice, (d) Referred for Cross Servicing, and/or (e) Other Status. NOTE: Lines (a), (b), and (c) are not applicable to Non-MSP CNC debt.

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# 1940. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM HCFA-M751A/B, STATUS OF MSP ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

There are separate reports and data screens for Part A, HI and Part B, SMI in the CAFM system. Enter data in both HI and SMI data screens (see Exhibits 7 and 8).

Report the MSP accounts receivable activity for FYTD for the period of the report. In order to facilitate reconciliation, balancing and error resolution, report the accounts receivable in dollars and cents.

The reports require information both for the amount and the number of MSP accounts receivable. To provide standardization, HCFA is suggesting that you use your collection process as a guide when reporting the number of accounts receivable. For example, a separate, stand alone accounts receivable collected would be reported as a quantity in the number column.

#### **EXAMPLES:**

- (1) A demand letter issued to a physician based on adjustments projected from sampling claims equals one. Even though many claims are represented by projection of the sample.
- (2) A demand letter issued in an MSP case to one debtor with several claims listed on the letter. If the collection is made and posted against an individual claim, each claim on the demand letter would be an individual receivable.

Once the MSP principal number is established, report the interest associated with the MSP principal amount in the same manner. There can be a difference between the principal number and the interest number because some receivables are not subject to interest.

#### 1941. DUE DATE

This report is due on January 21, April 21, July 21, October 21 (21 days after the end of each quarter) via the CAFM system. If that date occurs on a holiday or a weekend, the report is due the following Federal workday.

#### 1942. CERTIFICATION

Medicare contractor certification by the CFO is required. The CFO must input his password on the CAFM system (see Exhibit 16). Failure to record the official's password is a serious error that will prevent acceptance of the report by the CAFM system. The following statement appears at the end of Form HCFA M751A/B:

I hereby CERTIFY that I have examined the Status of MSP Accounts Receivable prepared by <u>name of contractor</u> for the period beginning (<u>first day of FY</u>) and ending (<u>last day of quarter</u>), and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is a true, correct and complete statement prepared from the books and records of the contractor in accordance with applicable instructions.

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#### 1943. LINE ITEM INSTRUCTIONS FORM HCFA-M751A/B

Medicare contractors must develop and maintain transaction level detail (at a minimum, this would include the provider name, provider number, date of determination, outstanding balance, and any adjustments or recoupments) by debt to support the amounts reported for each line outlined below.

Part I. Status of Receivables

Section A – Outstanding Receivables

- 1943.1 <u>Line 1, Beginning FY Balance (Principal & Interest).</u>—Enter the number and amount for all MSP accounts receivable outstanding as of the beginning of the FY. These amounts will be prefilled with the ending balances reported on the preceding (9/30/XX) FY Contractor Financial Reports. Make any corrections to the beginning principal and interest FY balance only on Line 5a, Adjusted Amounts, Internal Adjustments. Apply the offsetting entry, on the related Form HCFA-750A/B report (debit or credit) to Operating/Program Expense for transactions that affect principal, or interest revenue if the transaction affects interest.
- 1943.2 <u>Line 2a, New Receivables (Principal)</u>.--Enter the number and amount for all new MSP receivables established at your location during the FY. This should include items such as datamatch, non-datamatch, liability, beneficiaries, physicians/suppliers, etc. Do not include those receivables transferred from other Medicare contractors, other HCFA locations, CNC or other transferred locations in prior fiscal periods. Include all of these items on Lines 5b, 5d, 5f or 6b, Transfers In Amounts. **NOTE:** MSP Liability accounts receivable are not established until a settlement, judgement or award has been reached and a demand letter is sent.
- 1943.3 <u>Line 2b, Accrued Receivables (Principal)</u>.--This is not applicable to MSP.
- 1943.4 <u>Line 3, Interest Earned (Interest).</u>—Enter the amount of interest earned on: (a) existing or new MSP receivables established at your location during the FY, and (b) interest earned on MSP receivables transferred to you, following the date the receivables are established on your records. Do not include the amount of accrued interest earned at other locations. Report the accrued interest earned at other locations as transferred in on Line 5b, 5d, 5f or 6b, Transfers In Amounts.
- 1943.5 <u>Line 4a, Cash/Check Collections on Receivables (Principal & Interest</u>).--Enter the amount collected by cash/check on MSP receivables during the fiscal period.
- 1943.6 <u>Line 4b, Offset Collections on Receivables (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount collected by offset on MSP receivables during the fiscal period.
- 1943.7 <u>Line 4c, Collections Deposited at Another Location (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount collected or offset at another location by a Medicare contractor or CO. Do not transfer the case to the location where the deposit or offset of the money is made. Upon notification, enter the amount collected or offset at another location in this line to reduce the outstanding amount of the MSP receivable being reported on Form HCFA-M751A/B.

The Medicare contractor or CO that records the actual deposit of cash/check/offset will record this amount on Line 10, Cash/Offsets Received for Receivables at Another Location. (See §1943.14 for instructions and Exhibit 18 Collection Reconciliation/Acknowledgement Form).

1943.8 <u>Line 5, Adjusted/Transferred/Waived Amounts (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount for MSP receivables you have adjusted, transferred in from and out to other locations, or waived. You are required to maintain supporting documentation and records for all these receivables transferred in and out. MSP amounts transferred in from or out to other HCFA locations or Medicare contractors must be reconciled to the other entity's records for the same reporting period prior to the submission of the quarterly Form HCFA-751A/B reports to ensure that only <u>approved</u> transfers are being reported. Documentation of the reconciliation must be maintained and must indicate that a supervisory review of the reconciliation was performed. Please refer to Exhibit 17 Transfer of Debt Between Reporting Entities.

#### Report in lines:

- 5a. <u>Adjusted Amounts (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amounts for any MSP adjustments to the beginning balance, or corrections/adjustments of receivables previously established during the fiscal period. These adjustments can be either positive or negative. Separately report adjustments resulting from Auditor/Consultant recommendations, and those determined independently.
- 5b. <u>Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP receivables transferred in from other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.
- 5c. <u>Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP receivables transferred out to other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.
- 5d. <u>Transfers In from other HCFA Locations, POR (Principal & Interest).</u>--This line is not applicable to MSP.
- 5e. <u>Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, POR (Principal & Interest).</u>--This line is not applicable to MSP.
- 5f. <u>Transfers in from other HCFA Locations, Not POR (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP receivables transferred in from other HCFA locations and not reported on the POR during the fiscal period.
- 5g. <u>Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP receivables transferred out to other HCFA locations and not reported on the POR during the fiscal period.
- 5h. <u>Waivers (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP receivables waived based on the application of §§1862(b) and 1870(c) of the Social Security Act.
- 1943.9 <u>Line 6, Amounts Written-off Closed (Bad Debts)/Transferred CNC. (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount for MSP receivables, which you have write-off as a bad debt, or transferred to or from CNC.

#### Report in lines:

- 6a. Amounts Written-off Closed (Bad Debts) (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of MSP receivables for which collection efforts have been abandoned. (This would include the remaining balances on accounts receivable after the court has ruled on bankruptcy, appeals, and other litigated cases).
- 6b. <u>Transfers In from CNC (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP receivables reestablished as active debt that were previously reported as CNC during the fiscal period.
- 6c. <u>Transfers Out to CNC (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP receivables removed from the ending balance and reclassified as CNC during the fiscal period. (See Exhibit 20 Procedures for MSP Reclassification as CNC).

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1943.10 <u>Line 7, Ending Balance (Principal & Interest)</u>.--The ending MSP balance is a computed field reporting the number (manual entry) and amount for MSP receivables outstanding as of the end of the reporting period. It equals:

Principal Interest Beginning FY Balance (Line 1) + Beginning FY Balance (Line 1) + Interest Earned (Line 3) New Receivables (Line 2a) +/- Accrued Receivables (Line 2b) Collections on Receivables (Line 4a-4c) Collections on Interest (Line 4a-c) +/- Adjusted/Transferred Amounts (Line 5a-5g) +/- Adjusted/Transferred Amounts (Line 5a-5g) Waivers (Line 5h) Waivers (Line 5h) +/- Amounts Written-off/Transferred CNC +/- Amounts Written-off/Transferred CNC (Lines 6a -c) (Lines 6a-c) = Ending Balance (Line 7) = Ending Balance (Line 7)

**NOTE:** Although Line 7 is a calculated amount, you should be able to provide a detailed listing of all outstanding MSP receivable balances that support this line at any given period of time. The ending balance must be equal to the MSP accounts receivable and MSP interest receivable amounts reported on Form HCFA-M750A/B, Statement of Financial Position.

- 1943.11 <u>Line 7a, Current Receivables (Principal).</u>—Enter the amount of receivables due within 12 months following the reporting period. The definition of current and non-current does not depend on the time a debt is outstanding, but when the debt is due. A receivable for which the due date is 12 months or less from the report date is a current receivable. For example, a debt due September 30, 2000, within 12 months from the date of a report for September 30, 1999, is a current receivable. In addition, all delinquent receivables are to be reported as current. Debts with a negotiated and agreed upon extended repayment schedule, should be assigned between current and non-current, based on the installment payment dates.
- 1943.12 <u>Line 7b, Non-current Receivables (Principal)</u>.--Enter the amount of non-current receivables due more than 12 months after the reporting period. The definition of non-current receivables includes those receivables for which the due date is more than 12 months from the end of the reporting period. For example, those receivables for which the due date is October 1, 2000, 1 year from the date of a report for September 30, 1999, are non-current receivables.
- 1943.13 <u>Line 8, Allowance for MSP Uncollectible Accounts (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of the ending balance reported in Line 7 for MSP accounts receivable you estimate will not be collectible. (See Exhibit 14 Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts).
- 1943.14 <u>Line 9, Total MSP Receivables Net of Allowance (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP Receivables Net of Allowance this a computed field (Line 7 less Line 8) to report your estimate of the amount of accounts receivable you reasonably expect to collect.
- <u>& Interest</u>.--This line shall be used in the instances where a Medicare contractor or CO has received cash/check/offset for a receivable that is being reported by another entity, i.e., Medicare contractor or HCFA locations on its M751 or RM751, respectively. In this situation, the case will not be transferred to the location where the deposit or offset of money is made. The Medicare contractor will enter the amount received and deposited or offset for receivables being reported at another location in this line.

The other Medicare contractor or HCFA location who reports the receivable on its Form HCFA-M751A/B or Form HCFA-RM751A/B will reduce the outstanding balance of the receivable for the amount deposited or offset by the other Medicare contractor or CO by recording the amount of collection in Line 4c, Collection Deposited at Another Location. (See Exhibit 18 Collection Reconciliation/Acknowledgement Form).

#### Section B – Delinquent MSP Receivables

- 1943.16 <u>Line 1, Total MSP Not Delinquent (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of MSP receivables that are not delinquent.
- 1943.17 <u>Line 2, Total MSP Delinquencies (Principal & Interest).</u>—Enter the total number and amount of delinquent MSP receivables. Enter the amount of the past due payment unless the full amount is normally due and declared payable. The debt becomes delinquent the day following the date that the debt is due with all extensions recognized. Thus, if the debt is due 60 days after demand, the first day of delinquency starts on day 61 for MSP debts. If any portion of a debt has been delinquent more than 180 days, the entire amount is reported as delinquent. Enter the amount of receivables that are delinquent for the respective periods (a through i) indicated.
- 1943.18 <u>Line 3, Status of Delinquent Receivables less than or equal to 180 Days (Principal & Interest).</u>
  Enter the total number and amount of delinquent receivables 180 days old and less, which are in (a) Bankruptcy, (b) Appeal, (c) Department of Justice, (d) Referred for Cross Servicing and/or (e) Other Status.
- 1943.19 <u>Line 4, Status of Delinquent Receivables greater than or equal to 181 Days (Principal & Interest).</u>—Enter the total number and amount of delinquent receivables 181 days old and greater, which are in (a) Bankruptcy, (b) Appeal, (c) Department of Justice, (d) Referred for Cross Servicing and/or (e) Other Status.

#### Section C – Other Collections

- 1943.20 <u>Line 4c, Collections Deposited at Another Location (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution of collections on MSP receivables by location, for amounts offset or received and deposited at another location. The total amounts listed in this section must equal the amount reflected for this line in Section A, Line 4c of this report.
- 1943.21 <u>Line 10, Cash/Offsets Received for Receivables at Another Location (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution of collections on receivables offset or received and deposited, for receivables that are being reported by another location. The total amounts listed in this section must equal the amount reflected in Section A, Line 10 of this report.
- 1943.22 <u>Collections on Delinquent Debt</u>.--Enter the amount of collections on receivables which were delinquent upon collection. The total principal amount should be less than total principal collections for the FY.

#### Section D – Transferred Receivables

Enter the distribution of debts transferred to Medicare contractors or other HCFA locations. The data in this section will be reported on Section A of Form HCFA-M751A/B, Status of MSP Accounts Receivable Transfers Out to Medicare contractors or other HCFA locations, and will be used by you and other HCFA locations to reconcile your books and records.

The data in this section is the same data entered in Section A Outstanding Receivables, Line 5c, Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors; Line 5e, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, POR; and Line 5g, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR.

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- 1943.23 <u>Line 5c, Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution to other Medicare contractor locations of the debts entered in Line 5c, Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors, reflected in Section A of this report.
- 1943.24 <u>Line 5e, Transfers Out to Other HCFA Locations, POR (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the distribution to the various ROs or CO of the debts on the POR entered in Line 5e, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, POR, reflected in Section A of this report.
- 1943.25 <u>Line 5g, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR (Principal & Interest).</u>--Enter the distribution to the various ROs or CO of the debts not reported on the POR entered in Line 5g, Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not POR, reflected in Section A of this report.

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1950. INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM HCFA-MC751A/B, STATUS OF MSP DEBT - CURRENTLY NOT COLLECTIBLE (CNC)

There are separate reports and data screens for Part A, HI and Part B, SMI in the CAFM system. Enter data in both HI and SMI data screens (see Exhibits 9 and 10).

Report the MSP CNC accounts receivable activity for FYTD for the period of the report. In order to facilitate reconciliation, balancing and error resolution, report the CNC accounts receivable in dollars and cents.

The reports require information both for the amount and the number of accounts receivable. To provide standardization, HCFA is suggesting that you use your collection process as a guide when reporting the number of accounts receivable. For example, a separate, stand alone accounts receivable collected would be reported as a quantity in the number column.

Once the principal number is established, report the interest associated with the principal amount in the same manner. There can be a difference between the principal number and the interest number because some receivables are not subject to interest.

#### 1951. DUE DATE

This report is due on January 21, April 21, July 21, October 21 (21 days after the end of each quarter) via the CAFM system. If that date occurs on a holiday or a weekend, the report is due the following Federal workday.

#### 1952. CERTIFICATION

Contractor certification by the CFO. The CFO must input his password on the CAFM system (see Exhibit 16). Failure to record the official's password is a serious error that will prevent acceptance of the report by the CAFM system. The following statement appears at the end of Form HCFA-MC751A/B:

I hereby CERTIFY that I have examing contractor for the period beginning (first best of my knowledge and belief, it is books and records of the contractor in a	t day of FY) and ending (la a true, correct and compl	ast day of quarter), and that to the ete statement prepared from the
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#### 1953. LINE ITEM INSTRUCTIONS FORM HCFA MC751A/B – MSP

The following instructions are to be used by Medicare contractors to report the status of MSP CNC debt. Medicare contractors must develop and maintain transaction level detail (at a minimum, this would include the provider name, provider number, date of determination, outstanding balance, and any adjustments or recoupments) by debt to support the amounts reported for each line outlined below (see Exhibits 9 and 10). Medicare contractors must reclassify MSP debt as Currently Not Collectible in accordance with HCFA policy (see Exhibit 20).

#### Section A – MSP - CNC Debt

- 1953.1 <u>Line 1, Beginning FY Balance (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Report the number and amount for all MSP CNC debts outstanding as of the beginning of the FY. These amounts will be pre-filled (upon report automation) with the ending balances from the prior FY on Form HCFA-MC751A/B-Status of MSP Debt-CNC Financial Report. Make any corrections to the beginning principal and interest FY balance only on Line 4e, Reclassified CNC Debt Other.
- Line 2, New CNC Debt (Principal & Interest).—Enter the number and amount of all MSP debt approved by HCFA RO and CO for CNC during the FY. This line should include the outstanding principal balance and all outstanding interest associated with the debt that was earned up to the date the debt was removed from Form HCFA-M751A/B report and included on the current Form HCFA-MC751A/B report. This amount must equal the principal and interest amount reported on Line 6c, Transfers Out to CNC on Form HCFA-M751A/B.
- 1953.3 <u>Line 3, Interest Earned Since CNC Approval (Interest).</u>—Enter the amount of interest earned this fiscal year on MSP CNC debt since the date the debt was reclassified and included in Line 1, Beginning FY Balance and interest earned on MSP debts reclassified to CNC during the FY included in Line 2, New CNC Debt of the current Form HCFA-MC751A/B report.
- Lines 4(a) through (e), Reclassified CNC Debt (Principal & Interest).--Reclassified MSP CNC debt reported on these lines must agree with the total amount reported on Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC on Form HCFA-M751A/B. Medicare contractors must retain all documentation supporting any reclassified amounts. (tc \11 "Lines 4(a) through (e). Reclassified/Adjusted Amounts (Principal & Interest) -- Reclassified/adjusted amounts reported on this line must agree with the totals reported for this adjustment for CNC debts on Form HCFA-751, Status of Accounts Receivable HI and/or SMI, and must be annotated in the remarks section of Form HCFA-751 separately from other business reclassifications/adjustments for the period. Contractors must retain all documentation supporting any reclassification/adjusted amounts made.}

#### Report in lines:

4a. Re-established as Active A/R due to Collection of Cash (Principal & Interest).--Enter the total amount of MSP CNC debt that is re-established as active debt because cash/checks have been collected on MSP CNC debts during the FY. In addition, an upward adjustment for the full amount of the outstanding balance (principal and all interest associated with the debt included in Line 1, Beginning FY Balance; Line 2, New CNC Debt; and Line 3, Interest Earned Since CNC Approval of Form HCFA-MC751) for the CNC debt on which a collection should be applied, will be recorded on Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC on Form HCFA-M751A/B. Simultaneously, the collection should be recorded on Line 4a, Cash/Check Collections on Form HCFA-M751A/B. The effect of this transaction will reclassify the debt from an inactive memorandum entry to an active receivable that will be reported for financial statement purposes. Additionally, if the outstanding balance of the CNC debt was greater than the amount collected, the remaining balance of the debt is now considered an active accounts receivable which will be reported on Form HCFA-M751A/B. Any new interest assessed on the remaining balance after it becomes active again will be reported on Line 3, Interest Earned on Form HCFA-M751A/B report. If after 181 days there is no collection activity on this debt, consider reclassifying the debt as CNC.

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- 4b. Re-established as Active A/R due to Collection by Offset (Principal & Interest).-Enter the amount of MSP CNC debt that is re-established as active debt because offsets have been made on MSP CNC debt during the FY. In addition, an upward adjustment for the full amount of the outstanding balance (principal and all interest associated with the debt included in Line 1, Beginning FY Balance; Line 2, New CNC Debt; and Line 3, Interest Earned Since CNC Approval of Form HCFA-MC751A/B) for the CNC debt on which a collection should be applied, will be recorded on Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC on Form HCFA-M751A/B. Simultaneously, the collection should be recorded on Line 4b, Offset Collections on Form HCFA-M751A/B. The effect of this transaction will reclassify the debt from an inactive memorandum entry to an active receivable that will be reported for financial statement purposes. Additionally, if the outstanding balance of the MSP CNC debt was greater than the amount collected, the remaining balance of the debt is now considered an active accounts receivable which will be reported on Form HCFA-M751A/B. Any new interest assessed on the remaining balance after it becomes active again will be reported on Line 3, Interest Earned on Form HCFA-M751A/B report. If after 181 days there is no collection activity on this debt, consider reclassifying it as CNC.
- 4c. <u>Re-established as Active A/R due to Bankruptcy, Fraud & Abuse, Litigation, or Appeal (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Not applicable for MSP. MSP receivables on which the status changes to bankrupt, fraud and abuse, litigation or appeal <u>will not</u> be re-established as active accounts receivable.
- 4d. Written-off Closed (Principal & Interest).--Enter the total number and amount of MSP CNC debt that has been approved for written-off closed during the FY. The receivables will be "closed" in your internal systems. No further action will be taken on these debts. MSP CNC debts that are written-off as closed will not be reported on the financial statements, and all collection activity (i.e., future offsets or interest accruals) and servicing of the debt will be terminated. The debts will be closed within the contractors records, reports, and accounts receivable systems. These debts will be written-off and closed through Form HCFA-MC751 report on this line. These debts should not be reactivated on Form HCFA-M751.
- **NOTE:** Medicare contractors cannot write-off debt until formal approval has been received from the appropriate authorized official in accordance with the existing HCFA delegations of authority.
- 4e. Other (Principal & Interest).--Only use this line to make any corrections to Form HCFA-MC751A/B beginning principal and interest FY balance. Medicare contractors must retain all documentation justifying any adjustments made to the beginning balance.
- 1953.5 <u>Lines 5(a) through (f), Amounts Transferred (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the dollar amount of MSP CNC debts that have been transferred in from or out to Medicare contractors or HCFA RO or CO during the FY. Do not enter an amount on these lines until you have received formal notification that the debt has been accepted by the Medicare contractor, HCFA RO or CO. (See Exhibit 17 Transfer of Debt Between Reporting Entities).

#### Report in lines:

- 5a. <u>Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP CNC debt transferred in from other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.
- 5b. <u>Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the amount of MSP CNC debt transferred out to other Medicare contractors during the fiscal period.

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- 5c. Transfers In from HCFA RO (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of MSP CNC debt transferred in from RO during the fiscal period.
- 5d. Transfers Out to HCFA RO (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of MSP CNC debt transferred out to RO during the fiscal period.
- 5e. Transfers In from HCFA CO (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of MSP CNC debt transferred in from CO during the fiscal period.
- 5f. Transfers Out to HCFA CO (Principal & Interest).--Enter the amount of MSP CNC debt transferred out to CO during the fiscal period.

Collection efforts do not cease when MSP debt is reclassified to CNC. Medicare contractors must recognize that all debts including CNC debt will continue to be referred (if eligible) to the PSC, DHHS or the TOP.

Medicare contractors are expected to follow existing procedures for the routine referral of delinquent debt to the DCC in accordance with the DCIA of 1996.

Amounts transferred from or to other HCFA locations or Medicare contractors for the reporting period, must be reconciled to the other entity's records for the same reporting period prior to submission of the quarterly Form HCFA 750/751. Medicare contractors and other HCFA locations must reconcile the transfers out lines to ensure that only approved transfers are being reported. Documentation of the reconciliation must be maintained and must indicate that a supervisory review of the reconciliation was performed. Please refer to Exhibit 17 for instructions for the transfer of debt between other reporting entities.

Line 6, Ending Balance (Principal & Interest).--The ending balance is a computed field, reporting the number (manual entry) and amount for MSP CNC debt outstanding as of the end of the reporting period. It equals:

#### Principal

- + Beginning FY Balance (Line1)
- + New CNC Debt (Line 2)
- Re-established as Active A/R Due to Collection of Cash (Line 4a)
- Re-established as Active A/R Due to Collection by Offset (Line 4b)
- Re-established as Active A/R Due to Bankruptcy, Fraud & Abuse Litigation or Appeal (Line 4c)
- Written-off Closed (Line 4d)
- +/-Other (Line 4e)
- + Transfers In From Medicare Contractors/ RO/CO (Lines 5a, 5c, 5e)
- Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors/ RO/CO (Lines 5b, 5d, 5f)
- = Ending Balance (Line 6)

#### Interest

- + Beginning FY Balance (Line 1)
- + New CNC Debt (Line 2)
- + Interest Earned (Line 3)
- Re-established as Active A/R
  - Due to Collection of Cash (Line 4a)
- Re-established as Active A/R
  - Due to Collection by Offset (Line 4b)
- Re-established as Active A/R Due to Bankruptcy, Fraud & Abuse Litigation or Appeal (Line 4c)
- Written-off Closed (Line 4d)
- +/-Other (Line 4e)
- + Transfers in From Medicare Contractors/ RO/CO (Lines 5a, 5c, 5e)
- Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors/ RO/CO (Lines 5b, 5d, 5f)
  = Ending Balance (Line 6)

**NOTE:** Although Line 6 is a calculated amount, you should be able to provide a detailed listing of all MSP CNC receivable balances that support this line at any given period of time.

## Section B – Aging of MSP CNC Debt

1953.7 <u>Line 1, Total Aged CNC Debt (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of MSP CNC debt. The total dollar amount equals the sum of lines (a) through (e), and should also equal Line 6, Ending Balance on Form HCFA-MC751A/B.

Report on lines (a) through (e) the dollar amounts of receivables aged from the date of determination of the debt for the respective time periods listed.

#### Section C – Collection Information

1953.8 <u>Line 1, Collections on CNC Debt (Principal & Interest).</u>--Enter the total number and amounts of cash/checks/offsets actually collected on MSP CNC debt that is reported on Line 4a, Reestablished as Active A/R Due to Collection of Cash, and Line 4b, Re-established as Active A/R Due to Collection by Offset.

#### Section D – Status CNC Debt over 181 Days

1953.9 <u>Status of CNC Debt over 181 Days (Principal & Interest)</u>.--Enter the total number and amount of delinquent receivables over 181 days old, which are in (a) Bankruptcy, (b) Appeal, (c) Department of Justice, (d) Referred for Cross Servicing, and/or (e) Other Status.

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Contractor Financial Reports Statement of Financial Position Hospital Insurance (HI) As of \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Name	ID Number
Assets	Balance
Cash Benefits Account Time Account Undeposited Collections Total Cash	
Accounts Receivable Non-MSP Overpayments Provider Cost Report Settlements Claims Accounts Receivable PIP Accrual Credit Balances Other Beneficiaries Total Non-MSP	
Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Group Health Plan DataMatch Non-Data Match Liability MSP Beneficiary MSP Provider/Physician/Supplier Other MSP Total MSP	
Other (footnote)	
Total Accounts Receivable	
Advances to Others Advance Payments Accelerated Payments Total Advances	
Interest Receivable	
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Exhibit 1 (Cont.)		
	Contractor Financial Reports Statement of Financial Position Hospital Insurance (HI) As of	
Contractor Name	e 	ID Number
Liabilities		Balance
PIP Provide Non-PIP Pr Non-PIP Pr Claims Wit Beneficiaries Claims on the I Suspended Pay Claims Common W MR/UR Pre	laims le  ers A Cost Reports Settlements ers A Estimated Payable Accrual roviders A Underpayments (Interim Reviews) roviders A Underpayments (Cost Settlements) hheld for Non-receipt of Cost Reports  Payment Floor ments  Vorking File (CWF) epayment Review econdary Payer (MSP)	
Other Liabilities Unapplied Re Excess Recou Due Medicaid	ceipts pments	
Other (footnot Total Other Liab	pilities	
TOTAL LIABII	LITIES	
Fund Account B Cumulative Re	alance sults of Operations	
TOTAL LIARII	ITIES AND FUND ACCOUNT BALANCE	

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OTHER DATA:

Value of 1 <sup>st</sup> PIP Page	yment Cycle in ensuing quarter	
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Exhibit 2		
	Contractor Financial Reports Statement of Financial Position Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) As of	
Contractor Name		ID Number
Assets		Balance
Cash Benefits Account Time Account Undeposited Collect Total Cash Accounts Receivable	etions	
Non-MSP Overpayn Provider Cost Report Se	ettlements nts Receivable	
Medicare Secondary Group Health Plan DataMatch Non-Data Mat Liability MSP Beneficiary MSP Provider/Phy Other MSP Total MSP	n ch	
Other (footnote)		
Total Accounts Recei	vable	
Advances to Others Advance Payments Accelerated Payme Total Advances		
Interest Receivable		
Other Assets (footnote	e)	
TOTAL ASSETS		

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Contractor Financial Reports
Statement of Financial Position
Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI)
As of \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Name	ID Number
Liabilities	Balance
Accounts Payable Unprocessed Claims Benefits Payable Provider  PIP Providers B Cost Reports Settlements PIP Providers B Estimated Payable Accrual Non-PIP Providers B Underpayments (Interim Reviews) Non-PIP Providers B Underpayments (Cost Settlements) Claims Withheld for Non-receipt of Cost Reports Beneficiaries Claims on the Payment Floor Suspended Payments Claims  Common Working File (CWF) MR/UR Prepayment Review Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Total Accounts Payable	
Accrued Interest Payable	
Other Liabilities     Unapplied Receipts     Excess Recoupments     Due Medicaid     Other (footnote) Total Other Liabilities	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	
Fund Account Balance Cumulative Results of Operations	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FLIND ACCOUNT BALANCE	

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Exhibit 2 (Cont.)	
Statement of Operations Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) As of	
Contractor Name	ID Number
Revenue	Amount
Interest Revenue Adjustments (Interest) Waivers (Interest) Write-Offs (Bad debts) (Interest) Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Interest) Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Interest) Transfers In from CNC (Interest) Transfers Out to CNC (Interest) Transfers In from other HCFA Locations (POR) (Interest) Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations (POR) (Interest) Transfers In from other HCFA Locations (Not POR) (Interest) Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations (Not POR) (Interest)	Line 3 Line 5a Line 5h Line 6a Line 5b Line 5c Line 6b Line 6c Line 5d Line 5e Line 5f Line 5g
Draws on Letter of Credit Other Revenue (footnote)	
TOTAL REVENUE	
Expense	
Operating/Program Expense Adjustments (Principal) Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Contra Account) Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal) Transfers In from CNC (Contra Account) Transfers Out to CNC (Principal) Transfers In from other HCFA Locations (POR and Not POR) (Contra AcTransfers Out to other HCFA Locations (POR and Not POR) (Principal) Less: Waivers (Principal) Less: Write-offs Closed (Bad debts) (Principal)	e 2 + Benefit Expense Line 5a (CR or DR)  Line 5b Line 5c Line 6b Line 6c Ccount) Line 5d & 5f Line 5e & 5g Line 5h Line 6a
Total Program Expense	
Interest Expense CPT Interest Other Interest Other Expense (footnote)	
Prior Period Adjustments (footnote)	
TOTAL EXPENSE	
NET RESULTS OF OPERATIONS OTHER DATA: Value of 1 <sup>st</sup> PIP Payment Cycle in ensuing quarter	

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Exhibit 3					
		s of Accounts			
		ospital Insura of			
Contractor Na	ime	O1	<del></del>		ID Number
Section A: O	utstanding Receivables			_	
	8	D: : 1	D: : 1	<b>T</b>	<b>.</b>
		Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
1. Beginnin	g FY Balance				
2a. New Rec					
2b. Accrued					
3. Interest E	eck Collections		_		
4b. Offset Co					
	ns Deposited at Another	Location			
5a. Adjusted	Amounts	Location			
	l Adjustments				
Auditor	Consultant Adjustments				
5b. Transfers	In from other Medicare	Contractors			
	Out to other Medicare C				
	In from other HCFA Lo				
	Out to other HCFA Loc				
POR	In from other HCFA Lo	cations, Not			
	Out to other HCFA Loc	ations. Not			
POR					
5h. Waivers					
6a. Amounts	Written-off (Bad Debts)				
	In from CNC				
6c. Transfers					
7. Ending B a. Curren					
b. Non-cı					
	ce for Uncollectible Acco	unts			
	ceivables Net of				
Allowanc					
	sets Received for Receiv	ables at			
Another I	Location				
Section R. De	dinguant Pagaiyahlas				
Section D. De	elinquent Receivables	Principal	Principal	Interest	Interest
		Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number
1. Total Not	Delinquent	1 (dilioti	Donard	Donard	1 (dilioti
2. Total Del	inquent				
(a) 1-30	days				
(b) 31-60					
(c) 61-90	0 days				
(d) 91-18					
(e) 181-3					
(f) 1-2 ye (g) 2-6 ye					
(g) 2-0 y (h) 6-10	vears				
(i) over					
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Cor	Status of Account Hospital Insura As ofntractor Name	ance (HI)		ID Number
<u></u>	itractor Name		_	ID Nulliber
Sec	tion D: Transferred Receivables	Principal	Interest	
5c.	Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors	Dollars	Dollars	
	Contractor Number			
	Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, POR  1. Boston  2. New York  3. Philadelphia  4. Atlanta  5. Chicago  6. Dallas  7. Kansas City  8. Denver  9. San Francisco  10. Seattle  11. Central Office			
5g.	Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations, Not of 1. Boston 2. New York 3. Philadelphia 4. Atlanta 5. Chicago 6. Dallas 7. Kansas City 8. Denver 9. San Francisco 10. Seattle 11. Central Office	n POR		

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Exh	nibit 4				
	Supplemen	s of Accounts ntary Medical of	Insurance (SMI)		
Cor	ntractor Name	01			ID Number
Sec	tion A: Outstanding Receivables	Principal	Principal	Interest	Interest
1	D : : EWD !	Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number
1.	Beginning FY Balance				
	New Receivables Accrued Receivables				
	Interest Earned				
	Cash/Check Collections		_		
	Offset Collections				
	Collections Deposited at Another	Location			
	Adjusted Amounts				
	Internal Adjustments				
	Auditor/Consultant Adjustments	S			
	Transfers In from other Medicare				
	Transfers Out to other Medicare C				
	Transfers In from other HCFA Loc Transfers Out to other HCFA Loc		<del></del>	<del></del>	
	Transfers In from other HCFA Lo				
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	Transfers Out to other HCFA Loc POR	ations, Not			
	Waivers				
6a.	Amounts Written-off (Bad Debts)				
	Transfers In from CNC Transfers Out to CNC		<del></del>	<del></del>	
7.	Ending Balance				
′.	a. Current				-
	b. Non-current				
8. 9.	Allowance for Uncollectible According Total Receivables Net of	ounts			
	Allowance				
10.	Cash/Offsets Received for Receiv Another Location	ables at			
Sec	tion B: Delinquent Receivables				
bee	non B. Demiquent Receivables	Principal	Principal	Interest	Interest
		Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number
1.	Total Not Delinquent				
2.	Total Delinquent				
	(a) 1-30 days				
	(b) 31-60 days				
	(c) 61-90 days (d) 91-180 days		<del></del>	<del></del>	
	(e) 181-365 days				
	(f) 1-2 years				
	(g) 2-6 years				
	(h) 6-10 years				
	(i) over 10 years				

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Ex	hibit 4 (Cont.)				
	Suppleme	ns of Accounts entary Medical of	Insurance (SMI)		
Co	ntractor Name			_	ID Number
Sec	ction B: Status of Delinquent Rec	eivables			
		Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
3.	Total Delinquent 1-180 days (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) At Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status				
4.	Total Delinquent 181 days & ove (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) At Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status	r			
Sec	ction C: Other Collections		Principal	Interest	
4c.	Collections Deposited at Another	Location	Dollars	Dollars	
	Contractor/Region				
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10.	Cash/Offsets Received for Received	ables at Anoth	ner Location		
	Contractor/Region				
Co	llections on Delinquent Debt				

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Exhibit 4 (Cont.)	Status of Accounts Supplementary Medical As of	Insurance (SMI)		
Contractor Name			_	ID Number
Section D: Transfe	erred Receivables			
5c. Transfers Out	to Other Medicare Contractors	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	
Contractor Nu	mber 			
1. Boston	to Other HCFA Locations, POR			
3. Philadelphia 4. Atlanta 5. Chicago 6. Dallas	a	_ _ _		
8. Denver	co	- 		
1. Boston 2. New York 3. Philadelphia 4. Atlanta 5. Chicago	to Other HCFA Locations, Not PC			
8. Denver	co			

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Exhibit 5

### Status of Non-MSP Debt – CNC Hospital Insurance (HI) As of

As of				
Contractor Name:		ID Numl	ber:	
Section A: CNC Debt	Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
<ol> <li>Beginning FY Balance</li> <li>New CNC Debt</li> </ol>				
<ol> <li>New CNC Debt</li> <li>Interest Earned Since CNC Approval</li> <li>Reclassified CNC Debt         <ul> <li>a. Re-established as Active A/R</li> <li>Due to collection of cash</li> </ul> </li> </ol>				
b. Re-established as Active A/R Due to collection by offset c. Re-established as Active AR Due to bankruptcy, fraud & abuse, litigation, appeal				
d. Written-off Closed				
e. Other 5. Amounts Transferred				
<ul><li>a. Transfers In from Medicare Contractors</li><li>b. Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors</li><li>c. Transfers In from HCFA RO</li></ul>				
d. Transfers Out to HCFA RO				
<ul><li>e. Transfers In from HCFA CO</li><li>f. Transfers Out to HCFA CO</li><li>6. Ending Balance</li></ul>				
Section B: Aging of CNC Debt (from the dete	ermination	n date)		
<ol> <li>Total CNC Debt         <ul> <li>a. 181 days - 1 year</li> <li>b. 1 - 2 years</li> <li>c. 2 - 6 years</li> <li>d. 6 - 10 years *</li> <li>e. Over 10 years *</li> </ul> </li> </ol>				
* Provide an explanation why debts in these cates	gories wer	e not recomm	ended for write	-off closed
Section C: Collection Information				
Collections on CNC Debt				
Section D: Status CNC Debt over 181 Days				
Total Delinquent  (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) In Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status				

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Exhibit 6 Status of Non-N	ASP Debt -	- CNC		
Supplementary Med	lical Insura	ance (SMI)		
Contractor Name: As of			ID	Number:
Section A: CNC Debt	Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
<ol> <li>Beginning FY Balance</li> <li>New CNC Debt</li> </ol>				
<ol> <li>New CNC Debt</li> <li>Interest Earned Since CNC Approval</li> <li>Reclassified CNC Debt</li> </ol>				
<ul> <li>a. Re-established as Active A/R</li> <li>Due to collection of cash</li> <li>b. Re-established as Active A/R</li> </ul>				
Due to collection by offset c. Re-established as Active AR Due to bankruptcy, fraud & abuse,				
litigation, appeal d. Written-off Closed				
e. Other 5. Amounts Transferred a. Transfers In from Medicare Contractors				
<ul><li>b. Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors</li><li>c. Transfers In from HCFA RO</li><li>d. Transfers Out to HCFA RO</li></ul>				
<ul><li>e. Transfers In from HCFA CO</li><li>f. Transfers Out to HCFA CO</li><li>6. Ending Balance</li></ul>				
Section B: Aging of CNC Debt (from the det	erminatio	n date)		
1. Total CNC Debt a. 181 days - 1 year				
<ul><li>b. 1 - 2 years</li><li>c. 2 - 6 years</li><li>d. 6 - 10 years *</li></ul>				
e. Over 10 years *				
* Provide an explanation why debts in these cate	gories wer	e not recomm	nended for writ	e-off closed
<b>Section C: Collection Information</b>				
Collections on CNC Debt				
Section D: Status CNC Debt over 181 Days				
Total Delinquent  (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) In Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status				

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# Exhibit 7

### Status of MSP Accounts Receivable Hospital Insurance (HI) As of \_\_\_\_\_

Cor	ntractor Name				ID Number
Sec	tion A: Outstanding Receivables	Principal	Principal	Interest	Interest
1.	Beginning FY Balance	Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number
2.	New Receivables				
3.	Interest Earned				
	Cash/Check Collections		_		
	Offset Collections				
	Collections Deposited at Another	Location			
	Adjusted Amounts				
	Internal Adjustments				
	Auditor/Consultant Adjustments				
	Transfers In from other Medicare				
	Transfers Out to other Medicare C				
	Transfers In from other HCFA Lo				
5e. 5f.	Transfers Out to other HCFA Loc				
31.	Transfers In from other HCFA Lo POR	cations, Not			
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5h.	Waivers				
	Amounts Written-off (Bad Debts)				
	Transfers In from CNC				
	Transfers Out to CNC				
7.	Ending Balance				
	a. Current				
	b. Non-current				
8.	Allowance for Uncollectible Acco	unts			
9.	Total Receivables Net of				
10	Allowance	alal a a a 4			
10.	Cash/Offsets Received for Receiv	ables at			
	Another Location		<del></del>		
Sec	tion B: Delinquent Receivables				
bee	don B. Demiquent Receivables	Principal	Principal	Interest	Interest
		Number	Dollars	Dollars	Number
1.	Total Not Delinquent				
2.	Total Delinquent				
	(a) 1-30 days				
	(b) 31-60 days				
	(c) 61-90 days				
	(d) 91-180 days				
	(e) 181-365 days				
	(f) 1-2 years				
	(g) 2-6 years				
	(h) 6-10 years (i) over 10 years				
	(1) Over 10 years				

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### Status of MSP Accounts Receivable Hospital Insurance (HI) As of \_\_\_\_\_

Co	ntractor Name				ID Number
Sec	ction B: Status of Delinquent Rec	eivables		_	
3.	Total Delinquent 1-180 days (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) At Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status	Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
4.	Total Delinquent 181 days & over (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) At Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status	r			
	ction C: Other Collections  Collections Deposited at Another	Location	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	
	Contractor/Region				
10.	Cash/Offsets Received for Receiv	ables at Anoth	ner Location		
	Contractor/Region		Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	
Co	llections on Delinquent Debt				

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Exhibit 7 (Cont.)	Status of MSPAccoun Hospital Insuran	ce (HI)		
Contractor Name	As of			ID Number
Section D: Transferred Re	eceivables		_	
5c. Transfers Out to other M	Medicare Contractors	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	
Contractor Number				
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5e. Transfers Out to other H 1. Boston 2. New York 3. Philadelphia 4. Atlanta 5. Chicago 6. Dallas 7. Kansas City 8. Denver 9. San Francisco 10. Seattle 11. Central Office	HCFA Locations, POR			
5g. Transfers Out to other F 1. Boston 2. New York 3. Philadelphia 4. Atlanta 5. Chicago 6. Dallas 7. Kansas City 8. Denver 9. San Francisco 10. Seattle 11. Central Office	HCFA Locations, Not PO	R		

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Exhibit 8				
Supplemen		nts Receivable Insurance (SMI)		
Contractor Name	OI			ID Number
Section A: Outstanding Receivables	Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
<ol> <li>Beginning FY Balance</li> <li>New Receivables</li> <li>Interest Earned</li> <li>Cash/Check Collections</li> <li>Offset Collections</li> <li>Collections Deposited at Another</li> <li>Adjusted Amounts         <ul> <li>Internal Adjustments</li> <li>Auditor/Consultant Adjustment</li> </ul> </li> <li>Transfers In from other Medicare Collections</li> <li>Transfers Out to other Medicare Collection</li> <li>Transfers In from other HCFA Location</li> <li>Transfers Out to other HCFA Location</li> <li>Transfers In from other HCFA Location</li> <li>Transfers Out to Other HCFA Location</li> <li>Total Receivables Net of Allowant</li> <li>Cash/Offsets Received for Receivation</li> </ol>	s Contractors Contractors Contractors Contractors Cations, POR cations, ations,			
Section B: Delinquent MSP Receival	bles			
1. Total Not Delinquent 2. Total Delinquent (a) 1-30 days (b) 31-60 days (c) 61-90 days (d) 91-180 days (e) 181-365 days (f) 1-2 years (g) 2-6 years (h) 6-10 years (i) over 10 years	Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
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Cont	ractor Name			_	ID Number
Secti	ion B: Status of Delinquent Rece	eivables			
(	Total Delinquent 1-180 days  (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) At Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status	Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
(	Total Delinquent 181 days & over (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) At Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status	·			
4c. (	con C: Other Collections  Collections Deposited at Another  Contractor/Region	Location	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	
	Cash/Offsets Received for Receiv	ables at Anoth	ner Location  Principal  Dollars	Interest Dollars	
Colle	ections on Delinquent Debt				

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Exhibit 8 (Cont.)	Status of MSP Accoun	ts Receivable		
Contractor Name	Supplementary Medical I As of	nsurance (SMI)		ID Number
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Section D: Transferred	Receivables			
5c. Transfers Out to other	er Medicare Contractors	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	
Contractor Number				
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5e. Transfers Out to other 1. Boston 2. New York 3. Philadelphia 4. Atlanta 5. Chicago 6. Dallas 7. Kansas City 8. Denver 9. San Francisco 10. Seattle 11. Central Office	er HCFA Locations, POR			
5g. Transfers Out to other 1. Boston 2. New York 3. Philadelphia 4. Atlanta 5. Chicago 6. Dallas 7. Kansas City 8. Denver 9. San Francisco 10. Seattle 11. Central Office	er HCFA Locations, Not PO	R		

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Exhibit 9				
Status of MS				
Hospital In As of	surance (n	11)		
Contractor Name:		— ID Num	ber:	
Section A: CNC Debt{tc \l2 "Section A: CNC	Principal	Principal	Interest	Interest
1. Designing EV Deleger	Number	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Dollars</u>	<u>Number</u>
<ol> <li>Beginning FY Balance</li> <li>New CNC Debt</li> </ol>				
3. Interest Earned Since CNC Approval				
4. Reclassified CNC Debt				
a. Re-established as Active A/R				
Due to collection of cash				
b. Re-established as Active A/R Due to collection by offset				
c. Re-established as Active AR			<del></del>	
Due to bankruptcy, fraud & abuse,				
litigation, appeal				
d. Written-off Closed				
e. Other 5. Amounts Transferred			<del></del>	
a. Transfers In from Medicare Contractors				
b. Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors				
c. Transfers In from HCFA RO				
d. Transfers Out to HCFA RO e. Transfers In from HCFA CO				
f. Transfers Out to HCFA CO				
6. Ending Balance				
<b>Section B: Aging of CNC Debt (from the dete</b>	ermination	n date)		
1. Total CNC Debt				
a. 181 days - 1 year				
b. 1-2 years				
c. 2-6 years				
d. 6-10 years *				
e. Over 10 years *				
* Provide an explanation why debts in these cate	gories were	e not recomm	ended for write	-off closed
	B			
Section C: Collection Information				
Collections on CNC Debt				
Section D: Status CNC Debt over 181 Days				
Total Delinquent				
(a) In Bankruptcy				
(b) In Appeal				
(c) At Department of Justice				
<ul><li>(d) Referred for Cross Servicing</li><li>(e) Other Status</li></ul>		<del></del>		
(c) Other Status				

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Exhibit 10 Status of MS	D Dobt C	CNC		
Supplementary Med	lical Insura	ance (SMI)		
Contractor Name:		ID Numb	er:	
Section A: CNC Debt				
Section 11. Cive Desi	Principal Number	Principal Dollars	Interest Dollars	Interest Number
<ol> <li>Beginning FY Balance</li> <li>New CNC Debt</li> </ol>				
<ul> <li>3. Interest Earned Since CNC Approval</li> <li>4. Reclassified CNC Debt <ul> <li>a. Re-established as Active A/R</li> </ul> </li> </ul>				
<ul><li>Due to collection of cash</li><li>b. Re-established as Active A/R</li><li>Due to collection by offset</li></ul>				
c. Re-established as Active AR  Due to bankruptcy, fraud & abuse, litigation, appeal				
d. Written-off Closed e. Other				
<ul><li>5. Amounts Transferred</li><li>a. Transfers In from Medicare Contractors</li><li>b. Transfers Out to Medicare Contractors</li></ul>				
<ul><li>c. Transfers In from HCFA RO</li><li>d. Transfers Out to HCFA RO</li><li>e. Transfers In from HCFA CO</li></ul>				
f. Transfers Out to HCFA CO 6. Ending Balance				
Section B: Aging of CNC Debt (from the dete	ermination	n date)		
1. Total CNC Debt a. 181 days - 1 year				
<ul> <li>b. 1-2 years</li> <li>c. 2-6 years</li> <li>d. 6-10 years *</li> </ul>				
e. Over 10 years *				
*Provide an explanation why debts in these categories	gories were	e not recomme	nded for write-	off closed
<b>Section C: Collection Information</b>				
Collections on CNC Debt				
Section D: Status CNC Debt over 181 Days				
Total Delinquent  (a) In Bankruptcy (b) In Appeal (c) At Department of Justice (d) Referred for Cross Servicing (e) Other Status				

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## Exhibit 11

## Medicare Contractor Account Definitions Data Element Definitions

Account Number	Title
1000	Assets
1100 1100.01 1100.01.01 1100.01.02 1110 1110	Cash Part A and Part B Benefits Account Time Account Undeposited Collections Part A and Part B Undeposited Collections
1310 1310.01 1310.01.01 1310.01.01.01 1310.01.01.01.01 1310.01.01.01.02 1310.01.01.01.03 1310.01.01.01.05 1310.01.01.01.05 1310.01.01.03 1310.01.04 1310.01.04.01 1310.01.04.01 1310.01.04.01.01 1310.01.04.01.02 1310.01.04.02 1310.01.04.02 1310.01.04.02 1310.01.04.02.01 1310.01.04.03	Accounts Receivable Part A and Part B Non-MSP Overpayments Provider Cost Report Settlements Claims Accounts Receivable PIP Accrual Credit Balances Other Beneficiaries Physicians/Suppliers Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Group Health Plan DataMatch Non-DataMatch Liability MSP MSP Beneficiary MSP Provider/Physician/Supplier Other MSP
1310.01.99	Other
1311 1311.01 1311.01.01 1311.01.02	Advances to Others Part A and Part B Advance Payments Accelerated Payments
1330 1330.01	Interest Receivable Part A and Part B
1990 1990.01	Other Assets Part A and Part B
2000	Liabilities
2110 2110.01 2110.01.01	Accounts Payable Part A and Part B Unprocessed Claims

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Account Number	Title
2110.01.02 2110.01.02.01 2110.01.02.01.01 2110.01.02.01.02 2110.01.02.01.03	Benefits Payable Provider PIP Provider Cost Report Settlements PIP Provider Estimated Payable Accrual Non-PIP Provider Underpayments (Interim
2110.01.02.01.04	Rate) Non-PIP Prov. Underpayments (Cost Report Settlement)
2110.01.02.01.05	Claims Withheld for Non-receipt of Cost Reports
2110.01.02.02 2110.01.02.03 2110.01.02.04 2110.01.03 2110.01.03.01 2110.01.03.02 2110.01.03.03 2110.01.03.04	Beneficiaries Physicians/Suppliers Claims on the Payment Floor Suspended Payments Claims Claims Common Working File (CWF) MR/UR Prepayment Review Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP)
2140 2140.01	Accrued Interest Payable Part A and Part B
2990 2990.01 2990.01.01 2990.01.02 2990.01.03 2990.01.99	Other Liabilities Part A and Part B Unapplied Receipts Excess Recoupments Due Medicaid Other
3010	Fund Account Balance
3310 3310.01	Cumulative Results of Operations Part A and Part B
5000	Revenue
5303 5303.01	Interest Revenue Part A and Part B
5303.01.01 5303.01.02 5303.01.02.01 5303.01.02.02 5303.01.02.02.01 5303.01.02.03 5303.01.02.03.01 5303.01.02.04	Adjustments/Waivers (Contra Account) Write-Off Closed/Transfers Bad Debt (Contra Account) Transfers Out to Other HCFA Locations (Contra Account) Transfers In from Other HCFA Locations Transfers Out to CNC (Contra Account) Transfers In from CNC Transfers Out to Other Medicare Contractors (Contra Account)

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Account Number

5900.01.01

6106.01.01

Title

5303.01.02.04.01

Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors

5700 Appropriated Capital Used

5700.01 Part A and Part B, Draws on Letter of Credit

5900 Other Revenue 5900.01

Part A and Part B

Other

6000

Operating/Program Expense 6100

Expense

Part A and Part B 6100.01

Waivers 6101

Part A and Part B 6101.01

6101.01.02 Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations

Transfers In from other HCFA Locations (Contra 6101.01.02.01

Account)

Transfers Out to CNC 6101.01.03

Transfers In from CNC (Contra Account)
Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors 6101.01.03.01 6101.01.04

6101.01.04.01 Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors

(Contra Account)

6106 Write Offs/Transfers 6106.01

Part A and Part B Bad Debts

6330 Interest Expense

Part A and Part B 6330.01

6330.01.01 **CPT Interest** Other Interest 6330.01.02

6909 Other Expense

6909.01 Part A and Part B

7400 **Prior Period Adjustments** 

7400.01 Part A and Part B

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The account numbers used in this chart are for reference purposes only. They are not mandated for use by Medicare contractors.

1000 Assets

Report amounts of physical items or rights to ownership.

1100 Cash

> Report monetary resources on hand or on deposit with banks or other financial institutions. Balances are the end of quarter amounts per the

contractor's books.

1100.01 Part A and Part B

> Report cash allocable for Hospital Insurance (HI) and Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) activities. HI data must reconcile to Column E, Line 1, on Form HCFA-1522, Monthly Contractor Financial Report. SMI data must reconcile to Column E, Line 2. Prorate the Time Account by the number of checks and electronic funds transfers (EFTs) issued for HI or SMI services. (See Exhibit 15 Protocol for Prorating Intermediary Time Account

Balances between HI and SMI.)

1100.01.01 Benefits Account

Report the Federal Health Insurance Benefits Account by HI and SMI.

1100.01.02 Time Account

Report the balance as of the end of the quarter in the Federal Health

Insurance Time Account by HI and SMI.

1110 **Undeposited Collections** 

1110.01 Part A and Part B

Report undeposited collections for HI and SMI activities.

1110.01.03 **Undeposited Collections** 

> Report collections on hand not deposited within the accounting period. Undeposited collections include those items received by the last day of the quarter which will be deposited during the subsequent quarter. Prorate undeposited collections on the basis of Column D, Funds Expended, on Form HCFA-1522, Monthly Contractor Financial Report for Part A (HI) and Part B (SMI). Report deposits in transit as part of the book balance for either

1100.01.01, Benefits Account, or 1100.01.02, Time Account.

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1310 Accounts Receivable

> Report amounts due from others. A receivable is the identification of an overpayment for services rendered. HCFA will only recognize receivables related to Fraud and Abuse once they are litigated by the Department of

Justice (DOJ).

1310.01 Part A and Part B

Report accounts receivable attributable to HI and SMI activities.

1310.01.01 Overpayments

> Report accounts receivable for overpayments. Include amounts that exceed adjudicated claims processed, cost reports settled, or other authorized payments. This includes, but is not limited to, overpayments resulting from adjustment bills. Reclassify any overpayment when Medicare is deemed as

secondary payer to 1310.01.04, MSP.

1310.01.01.01 Provider

> Report overpayments for institutional providers. This includes, but is not limited to, those items listed on the Provider Overpayment Report (POR) and the Credit Balance Summary Report. Include periodic interim payments (PIP) in excess of PIP bills. Include overpayments resulting from the receipt of cost reports, tentative settlements or cost settlements when the Notices of Provider Reimbursement (NPR) are prepared. Include overpayments from PRRB settlements when the Notices of Correction (NOC) are prepared.

1310.01.01.01.01 **Cost Report Settlements** 

> Report the accounts receivable as a result of cost report settlements, interim rate reviews and overpayments as a result of accelerated payments.

1310.01.01.01.02 Claims Accounts Receivable

Report the accounts receivable as a result of claims accounts receivable.

1310.01.01.01.03 PIP Accrual

> Report the amount accrued for the (estimated) accounts receivable PIP. (See Exhibit 13 Protocol for Estimating Payables and Receivables for PIP).

1310.01.01.01.04 **Credit Balances** 

Report the accounts receivable as a result of credit balance reports.

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1310.01.01.02 Beneficiaries

Report overpayments for beneficiaries.

1310.01.01.03 Physicians/Suppliers

This is not an intermediary function.

1310.01.04 Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP)

Report accounts receivable for amounts due as a result of MSP activity, and based on documented debts due Medicare for all debtors. Debtors are employers, insurers, providers, beneficiaries or other persons to whom a depend letter has been issued.

demand letter has been issued.

1310.01.04.01 Group Health Plan (GHP)

1310.01.04.01.01 DataMatch

Include the amounts identified (HCFA supplied receivables via tapes with an identified report ID on MPaRTS) as a result of MSP activity for which a demand letter has been issued for IRS/SSA DataMatch cases. Outstanding receivables are the amount of debt that has been demanded and payment has

not yet been received.

1310.01.04.01.02 Non-DataMatch

Include the amounts identified (debt specific to GHP debt, working aged, disability, End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) as a result of MSP activity for which a demand letter has been issued. Outstanding receivables are the amount of debt that has been demanded and payment has not yet been

received.

1310.01.04.02. Liability MSP

Include the amounts (inclusive of all workmans' compensation, automobile/no fault and liability debt, this includes HCFA identified cases) due to MSP activity for which a settlement has been reached related to liability cases. Outstanding receivables are the amount of debts that have been demanded, subsequent to settlement and/or other action, and payment

has not yet been received.

1310.01.04.02.01 MSP Beneficiaries

1310.01.04.02.02 MSP Providers/Physicians/Suppliers

Outstanding receivables are the amount of MSP initiated debts that have been

demanded and payment has not yet been received.

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1310.01.04.03 Other MSP

> Include the amounts due as a result of other MSP activity for which a valid MSP debt has been recognized.

1310.01.99 Other

> Report actual or estimated other accounts receivable. Include those receivables not otherwise classified in the categories presented above. Provide an identifying footnote on CAFM of the nature of this receivable.

1311 Advances to Others

> Report payments made to providers, physicians, or suppliers in anticipation of claims being processed. Advances are not to be considered as accounts receivable. Do not include them on Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Account Receivable report.

1311.01 Part A and Part B

Report advance payments and accelerated payments attributable to HI and

SMI activities.

1311.01.01 **Advance Payments** 

> Report the outstanding balance for payments authorized by HCFA instructions for advanced payments based on actual provider claims data. If not recovered according to HCFA instructions, reclassify and report as overpayments.

1311.01.02 **Accelerated Payments** 

> Report the outstanding balance for payments authorized by HCFA instructions for accelerated payments based on actual provider claims data. If not recovered according to HCFA instructions, reclassify and report as overpayments.

1330 Interest Receivable

Report interest receivable on accounts receivable. Accrue interest through

the last day of the reporting period.

1330.01 Part A and Part B

Report HI and SMI interest receivable on accounts receivable, including

extended repayment plans.

1990 Other Assets

Report assets that are not otherwise classified. Provide an identifying

footnote in the remarks section of Form HCFA-750A/B report.

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1990.01 Part A and Part B

Report HI and SMI unclassified assets.

2000 Liabilities

Report amounts owed after processing Medicare claims and related activities.

2110 Accounts Payable

> Report amounts owed after processing Medicare claims or other authorized expenditures. This includes, but is not limited to, underpayments resulting

from adjustment bills.

2110.01 Part A and Part B

Report accounts payable attributable to HI and SMI activities.

2110.01.01 **Unprocessed Claims** 

> Report the value of the accounts payable for unprocessed claims received inhouse that have not yet started processing. The actual value may be developed after the reporting period but before the required date for reporting.

> Use the 30 day rolling average for the number of claims received and not processed to determine the number of average unprocessed claims.

> Multiply the average number of unprocessed claims by the average claims payable as determined by the accounts payable protocol for estimating claims to determine the estimated amount of unprocessed claims.

2110.01.02 Benefits Payable

> Report accounts payable for those claims that have completed processing checks, but have not yet been issued nor offsets applied. This includes, but is not limited to, underpayments resulting from adjustment bills. Include claims approved by the Common Working File (CWF). Include claims not approved by the CWF, but approved by the RO for payment outside the CWF.

2110.01.02.01 Provider

> Report benefits payable to institutional providers of Medicare services. This includes, but is not limited to the following: accounts receivable accrual where the periodic interim payment (PIP) bills is in excess of periodic interim payments (PIP); underpayments from receipt of accepted cost reports, tentative settlements and final cost settlements, when Notices of Provider Reimbursement (NPR) are prepared; and underpayments for PRRB settlements, when Notices of Correction (NOC) are prepared, etc.

2110.01.02.01.01 PIP Providers - Cost Report Settlements

Report benefits payable to PIP providers as a result of Cost Report

Settlements.

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Exhibit 11 (Cont.)	Medicare Contractor Account Definitions Data Element Definitions
2110.01.02.01.02	PIP Providers - Estimated Payable Accrued
	Report the amount accrued for the (estimated) accounts payable PIP. (See Exhibit 13 Protocol for Estimating Payables and Receivables for PIP).
2110.01.02.01.03	Non-PIP Providers - Underpayments (Interim Rate)
	Report benefits payable to Non-PIP providers as a result of Interim Rate Reviews.
2110.01.02.01.04	Non-PIP Providers - Underpayments (Cost Report Settlement)
	Report benefits payable to Non-PIP providers as a result of Cost Report Settlements.
2110.01.02.01.05	Claims Payments Withheld for Non-receipt of Cost Reports
	Report benefits payable for claims withheld for payment for non-receipt of provider cost reports.
2110.01.02.02	Beneficiaries
	Report benefits payable to beneficiaries for reimbursement for Medicare services.
2110.01.02.03	Physicians/Suppliers
1	Not an intermediary function.
2110.01.02.04	Claims on the Payment Floor
	Adjudicated claims not yet paid.
2110.01.03	Suspended Payments
	Report actual or estimated benefits payable for claims that were suspended from payment to allow for additional processing.
2110.01.03.01	Claims
	Report estimated benefits payable for claims needing additional information or further development, including CWF rejects and adjustments.
2110.01.03.02	Common Working File (CWF)
	Report benefits payable for claims that are pending submission or were submitted to the CWF for approval.

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2110.01.03.03 MR/UR Prepayment Review

> Report estimated benefits payable, based on a developed rate, suspended for MR/UR before payment. The payables after MR/UR are in 2110.01.02,

Benefits Payable.

2110.01.03.04 Medicare as Secondary Payer (MSP)

Report benefits payable that are suspended for investigation of third party

liability for MSP prior to payment.

2140 Accrued Interest Payable

> Report actual or estimated interest payable on Medicare liabilities through the end of the reporting period including, but not limited to, pending claims,

court settlements, claims payment timeliness (CPT), etc.

2140.01 Part A and Part B

Report HI and SMI interest payable on Medicare liabilities.

2990 Other Liabilities

Report liabilities not otherwise classified. Provide an identifying footnote in

the remarks section of Form HCFA-750A/B report.

2990.01 Part A and Part B

Report other liabilities attributable to HI and SMI activities.

2990.01.01 **Unapplied Receipts** 

Report amounts deposited and not yet applied to an accounts receivable.

2990.01.02 **Excess Recoupments** 

> Report amounts recovered from overpayments or from other sources in excess of receivables established and which are eligible for refund. Include those payables identified as due to third party liability payers, e.g., excess

recoupment of MSP recoveries being returned to the third party.

2990.01.03 Due Medicaid

Report Medicare claims reimbursements withheld based on RO instructions

for payment to Medicaid.

2990.01.99 Other

> Report actual or estimated amounts payable not otherwise classified. These include, but are not limited to, claims payments withheld to satisfy Internal Revenue Service liens, court liens, unidentified receipts that have not been applied to an account receivable. Provide an identifying footnote in CAFM.

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Exhibit 11 (Cont.)	Medicare Contractor Account Definitions Data Element Definitions
3010	Fund Balance
	Fund balance reflects the cumulative results of program operations and extraordinary items. It equals the difference between assets and liabilities.
3310	Cumulative Results of Operations
	These accounts track the net difference between income and expense activity as reported on the Statement of Operations. This account is updated with the current year-to-date net results of operations.
3310.01	Part A and Part B
	Report HI and SMI cumulative results of operations.
5000	Revenue and Other Financing Sources
	Report the amount of income from Medicare activities. Typical sources are draws on letter of credit, interest and recoveries of amounts expended in prior periods.
5303	Interest Revenue
	Report interest earned from accounts receivable.
5303.01	Part A and Part B
	Report HI and SMI interest revenue from accounts receivable. Include current fiscal period earned interest, and any adjustments. This will also include accrued interest in account 1330, Interest Receivable.
5303.01.01	Adjustments/Waivers (Interest)
	Report the reduction of the amounts of interest receivable based on Collections on Delinquent Debt in accordance with §§1862(b) and 1870(c) of the Social Security Act. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5h, Waivers (Interest).
5303.01.02	Write-offs Closed/Transfers (Interest)
	Report interest receivable for which collection efforts have been abandoned or that have been transferred to another Medicare contractor or other HCFA location. These accounts must be reconciled with the receiving Medicare contractor or other HCFA location.
5303.01.02.01	Amounts Written-Off Closed (Bad Debts) (Interest)
	Report interest receivables for which collection is no longer being pursued according to HCFA regulations. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 6a, Amounts Written-off Closed (Bad Debts).

## Exhibit 11 (Cont.) Medicare Contractor Account Definitions **Data Element Definitions** 5303.01.02.02 Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations (POR & Not POR) (Interest) Report interest receivable transferred to other HCFA locations. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5e, Transfers Out to Other HCFA Locations, POR, (interest) and Line 5g, Transfers Out to Other HCFA Locations, Not POR, (interest). 5303.01.02.02.01 Transfers In from other HCFA Locations (POR & Not POR)(Interest) Report interest receivable that has been transferred to your location from other HCFA locations in the current period. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751 A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5d, Transfers In from Other HCFA Locations, POR, (interest), and Line 5f, Transfers In from Other HCFA Locations, Not POR, (interest). 5303.01.02.03 Transfers Out to CNC (Interest) Report interest receivable transferred to CNC in accordance with HCFA regulations. Transfer the full amount of interest due on the debt. Reconcile with Form HCFA-C751, Status of Non-MSP Debt - CNC, Line 2, New CNC A/R (interest) and Line 6c, Transfers Out to CNC. 5303.01.02.03.01 Transfers In from CNC (Interest) Report interest receivable that has been transferred in to your location from CNC. 5303.01.02.04 Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Interest) Report interest receivable transferred to other Medicare contractors. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5c. Transfers Out to Other Medicare Contractors. 5303.01.02.04.01 Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Interest) Report interest receivable transferred to your location from other Medicare contractors. Reconcile with Form HČFA-751A/B Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5b, Transfers In from Other Medicare Contractors (Interest)

5700 Appropriated Capital Used

Report the amount of Medicare funds drawn to be matched against current period expense. This amount must be consistent with amounts reported on Form HCFA-1521, Contractor Draws on Letter of Credit, and on Form HCFA-1522, Monthly Contractor Financial Report. Do not include administrative draws through the Payment Management System (PMS), (Smartlink).

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5700.01 Part A and Part B, Draws on Letter of Credit

Report HI and SMI draws on Letter of Credit on Form SF(TFS)-5805,

Request for Funds.

5900 Other Revenue

Report revenue not otherwise classified. Provide identifying footnote in the

remarks section of Form HCFA-750 A/R report.

5900.01 Part A and Part B

Report HI and SMI other revenue.

5900.01.01 Other

Report revenue not otherwise classified.

6000 Expense

Report the outflow of assets or incurrance of liabilities during a period

resulting from rendering Medicare services.

Operating/Program Expense

Report net benefits costs incurred throughout the FY. The expense is the adjusted benefits outlay in cash or its equivalent and accrued liabilities incurred in carrying out the Medicare program. This includes, but is not limited to, adjustments for MSP recoveries, reconsiderations, and pending

litigation.

6100.01 Part A and Part B

Report HI and SMI benefit program expense.

Waivers (Principal)

Report HI and SMI waiver expense.

6101.01 Part A and Part B

Report the reduction of the amounts receivable based on application of

§§1862(b) and 1870(c) of the Social Security Act. Reconcile with Form

HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5h, Waivers.

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6101.01.02 Transfers Out to other HCFA Locations (Principal)

> Report accounts receivable transferred to other HCFA locations. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5e, Transfers Out to Other HCFA Locations, POR and Line 5g, Transfers to Other HCFA

Locations, Not POR.

6101.01.02.01 Transfers In from other HCFA Locations (Principal)

> Report accounts receivable amounts that have been transferred to your location from other HCFA locations in the current period. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751 A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5d, Transfers In from Other HCFA Locations, POR (principal), and Line 5f, Transfers In from

Other HCFA Locations, Not POR (principal).

6101.01.03 Transfers Out to CNC (Principal)

> Report accounts receivable amounts that have been transferred to CNC in accordance with HCFA regulations. Transfer the full amount of principal due. Reconcile with Form HCFA-C751A/B, Status of Non- MSP Debt -CNC, Line 2, New CNC A/R, and Line 6c Transfers Out to CNC of Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable report.

6101.01.03.01 Transfers In from CNC (Principal)

> Report accounts receivable amounts that have been re-established as an active accounts receivable. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of

Accounts Receivable, Line 6b, Transfers In from CNC.

6101.01.04 Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors (Principal)

> Report HI and SMI accounts receivable transferred out to a Medicare contractor for collection. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5c, Transfers to Other Medicare Contractors.

6101.01.04.01 Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors (Principal)

> Report HI and SMI accounts receivable transferred to your location from other Medicare contractors. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751 A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 5b, Transfers In from Other Medicare

Contractors.

6106 Write-offs Closed/Transfers (Principal)

> Report accounts receivable for which collection efforts have been abandoned, or that have been transferred to another Medicare contractor or other HCFA location. These accounts must be reconciled with the receiving Medicare

contractor or other HCFA location.

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Exhibit 11 (Cont.)	Medicare Contractor Account Definitions Data Element Definitions
6106.01	Part A and Part B
	Report HI and SMI accounts receivable written off or transferred.
6106.01.01	Amounts Written-Off Closed (Bad Debts) (Principal)
	Report receivables for which collection is no longer being pursued according to HCFA rules. Reconcile with Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable, Line 6a, Amounts Written-off Closed (Bad Debts).
6330	Interest Expense
	Report interest expense incurred for claims for Medicare benefits or accounts payable.
6330.01	Part A and Part B
	Report HI and SMI interest expense.
6330.01.01	Claims Payment Timeliness (CPT) Interest
	Report interest paid for claims that failed the claims payment timeliness (CPT) requirement. Reconcile with Form HCFA-1522, interest paid, claims timeliness.
6330.01.02	Other Interest
	Report interest for other late payments. Reconcile with Form HCFA-1522, interest paid, provider underpayments.
6909	Other Expenses
	Report benefit expenses not reported in named categories or otherwise classified. Provide an identifying footnote in the remarks section of Form HCFA-750A/B report.
6909.01	Part A and Part B
	Report HI and SMI unclassified benefit expenses.
7400	Prior Period Adjustments
	Report adjustments for prior period activity to restate assets, liabilities, etc. Provide an identifying footnote in the remarks section of Form HCFA-750 report.
7400.01	Part A and Part B
	Report HI and SMI prior period adjustments.

# Accounts Payable Protocol for Estimating Claims Form HCFA-750A/B, Statement of Financial Position

The amounts recorded in accounts payable (A/P) may be estimated based on actual volumes and historical rates; therefore, calculate and accrue a new estimated liability each reporting period and reverse the accrual for the previous period in full. Charge the expense accounts, rather than the A/P, as actual payments are made.

#### **INTERMEDIARY PROCEDURES**

# Methodology for Calculating Average Reimbursement Amount and Average Interest for Pricing Claim Liabilities

To assign an estimated value to claims for which the amount to be paid is unknown, claims will be counted and multiplied by the average reimbursement amount (net of interest) and an average interest amount (CPT), if applicable, determined as follows:

Calculate the average reimbursement amount by taking a representative sample of the most recent 12 months of paid claims history. Total the reimbursement amount minus interest and divide by the total number of claims processed. Calculate the Claims Payment Timeliness (CPT) by adding the interest from the same claims and divide by the total number of claims (not just those bearing interest).

These calculations should be done by bill types and will be segregated between Part A and Part B. (See Intermediary Manual Part 3, §3894.3.)

These methods may be used to assign an estimated value to claims in the following categories:

- 1. In-house, unprocessed claims; and
- 2. Claims suspended for prepayment review: Claims MR/UR PRO.

# Periodic Interim Payments (PIP) Protocol for Estimating Payables/Receivables for the Form HCFA-750A/B, Statement of Financial Position

It is necessary to report on Form HCFA-750, a cumulative estimated accounts receivable or payable for all fiscal periods since the provider's last accepted cost report period. To estimate this amount, perform the following steps:

- 1. Determine the total amount for PIP bills processed for the fiscal period less outlier amounts;
- 2. Compare the PIP bills amount to the actual PIP cash payment and lump sum payments (checks issued) made during the fiscal period. Do not include any outlier payments that may have been issued on the same check with the PIP;
  - 3. Report the amount that PIP bills exceed the PIP cash payment as an account payable; and
  - 4. Report the amount that PIP cash payment exceeds the PIP bills as an account receivable.

For example: If the provider's FY ends on December 31, then the cost report should be received and accepted before the June 30 reporting period. The following demonstrates how the PIP accumulations would be reported for this provider.

# **Period Ending: Reporting:**

December 31	Assuming all prior year cost reports have been accepted, the only entry on the books for this provider would be the estimated accounts receivable or accounts payable after comparing PIP payments to claims submitted since January 1st to current.
March 31	Given the same assumption regarding prior cost reports, the PIP estimate for this provider will include the entire prior FY for the provider (January 1 - December 31) unless the cost report has been filed and accepted, and the current FY for the provider (January 1- March 31).
June 30	Given the same assumption regarding prior cost reports, assuming the latest cost report has now been received and accepted and the appropriate accounts receivable or accounts payable are booked, the PIP estimated for this provider will now include only the current FY for the provider (January 1- June 30).
Sept 30	Given the same assumption regarding prior cost reports, assuming the latest cost report has now been received and accepted, the PIP estimate for this provider will now include only the current FY for the provider (January 1- September 30).

# Protocol for Estimating Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable

The Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) recommends through Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standard Number 1 (Paragraphs 44 & 45) that losses on receivables should be recognized when it is more likely than not that the receivables will not be totally collected. The phrase "more likely than not" means more than a 50 percent chance of loss occurrence. An allowance for estimated uncollectible amounts should be receivables to its net realizable value. The allowance for uncollectible amounts should be restimated on each annual financial reporting date (at a minimum) and when information indicates that the latest estimate is no longer correct. These losses should be measured through a systematic methodology. The systematic methodology should be based on analysis of both individual accounts and a group of accounts as a whole.

Accounts that represent significant amounts, i.e., greater that \$1 million, should be individually analyzed to determine the loss allowance. Loss estimation for individual accounts should be based on (a) the debtor's ability to pay, (b) the debtor's payment record and willingness to pay, and (c) the probable recovery of amounts from secondary sources, including liens, garnishments, cross collections and other applicable collection tools.

The entire allowance for losses generally cannot be based solely on the results of individual account analysis. In many cases, information may not be available to make a reliable assessment of losses on an individual account basis or the nature of the receivables may not lend itself to individual account analysis. In these cases, potential losses should be assessed on a group basis.

HCFA has implemented FASAB's recommendations and has developed this protocol for Medicare contractors to follow for estimating the allowance for uncollectible accounts. The following section outlines this methodology.

# Protocol for Estimating Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts

Medicare contractors must recognize on Line 8, Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts, on Form HCFA-751A/B, an estimated amount for uncollectible debt in order to reduce the gross amount of receivables to its net realizable value. Medicare contractors must re-estimate the allowance for uncollectible amounts on March 31 and September 30 of each FY and when information indicates that the latest estimate is no longer correct.

Medicare contractors must measure potential losses due to uncollectible amounts through a systematic method. This systematic method must be based on an analysis. Receivables will be further stratified into sub-groups (i.e., Cost Report Settlement Activity, Claims Accounts Receivable, Credit Balances, Group Health Plan (GHP) MSP, Liability MSP and Other Accounts Receivables).

#### **Group 1 (Fiscal Intermediaries)**

# Sub-Group 1

- 1. Cost Report Settlements Activity (Non MSP)
- 2. Claim Account Receivables, Credit Balances & Other Accounts Receivables (Non-MSP)

# Sub-Group 2

- 1. Group Health Plan (Data Match/Non Data Match) MSP
- 2. Liability MSP

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# Protocol for Estimating Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable

For Group 1, Subgroup 1, contractors will perform 3 steps to calculate and validate the allowance for uncollectible accounts.

- 1. Calculate the allowance based on the historical collection percentage (see detailed instructions below) for Non-MSP as a whole.
- 2. Individual Account Analyses: For cost report settlement activity only, fiscal intermediary contractors will identify and total those provider debts that meet certain risk characteristics (i.e., bankruptcy, terminations, poor collection history, no collection activity for 6 months or more). These will be considered risk accounts, and the fiscal intermediary should total all risk accounts identified through this analysis.
- 3. The contractor should use the most conservative (largest) amount of the two amounts mentioned above. In addition, the selective amount should be compared to the total delinquencies exceeding 180 days (Section B of Form HCFA 751A/B "Delinquent Receivables") for reasonableness.

For Group 1, Subgroup 2, contractors will perform 2 steps to calculate and validate the allowance for uncollectible accounts.

- 1. Calculate the allowance based on the historical collection percentage (see detailed instructions below) for MSP as a whole.
- 2. The contractor should then compare the calculated amount to the total delinquencies exceeding 180 days (Section B of Form HCFA-751A/B "Delinquent Receivables") for reasonableness.

### **Historical Collection Percentage Calculation**

A. Determine Total Receivables Eligible for Collection. (Using Form HCFA 751A/B)

#### **Required Formula:**

Beginning Balance Plus: New/Accrued	(Line 1)
Plus: New/Accrued	(Line 2)
Plus/Less: Adjustment	(Line 5a)
(plus if positive number - less if negative number)	
Plus: Transfers In from other Medicare Contractors	(Line 5b)
Plus: Transfers In from other HCFA locations, POR & Not Por	(Lines 5d & 5f)
Plus: Transfers In from CNC	(Line 6b)
Less: Waivers	(Line 5h)
Less: Transfers Out to other Medicare Contractors	(Line 5c)
Less: Transfers Out to CNC	(Line 6c)
Less: Transfers Out to other HCFA locations, POR & Not POR	(Lines 5e & 5g)

Equals: Total Receivables Available to be Collected

#### B. Determine Rate of Collections

Line 4a, Collections plus Line 4b Offsets divided by total Receivables Available to be Collected (number calculated from Step 1a) multiplied times 100 determines the rate of collections percentage.

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Protocol for Estimating
Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts
Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable

- C. Determine the Allowance Rate
- 1.00 minus the percentage determined from Step B, equals the allowance rate
- D. Average the Percentage Calculated in Step C with a 5-year Historical Allowance Rate (if available, if not available, maintain statistical data to develop historical rate, and go proceed to step E).
- E. Calculate the Allowance

Multiply the ending balance (Line 7) by the allowance rate from Step C or Step D.

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# **Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts Matrix**

	Historical Collection % Total	Individial Account Analysis Total	Delinquencies Exceeding 180 Days Total	Amount Reported on Line 8, HCFA 751	Justifcation for amount recorded on Line 8
Group 1, Sub-Group 1					
Group 1, Sub-Group 2					

Each Medicare contractor will be required to complete the allowance for uncollectible account matrix on March 31 and September 30 of each year. In addition, this matrix is to be mailed to HCFA CO. Supporting documentation must include assumptions used to calculate the allowance for uncollectible accounts and should be available for review by HCFA, OIG, GAO or other parties as required.

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Protocol for Prorating Intermediary Time Account Balances Between Form HCFA 750A (HI) and Form HCFA 750B (SMI)

Select a representative sample of checks and EFT payments issued and determine the ratio of the number of HI checks/EFT payments to the number of SMI checks/EFT payments. Checks or EFT payments for both HI and SMI will be split 50-50. Use this ratio to prorate the time account balance for the financial reports.

#### **Electronic Certification**

The Electronic Certification process requires that the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) enter his/her password in the certifying official's current password field on the remarks page of Form HCFA-750A/B and Form HCFA-751A/B. When the password is keyed in, the CFO's name and title will appear on the document, and allow the document to be submitted electronically through the CAFM. For security purposes, the new password field is present to allow the certifying official to change the password assigned by HCFA to one only he/she knows.

Two people are required to submit a certified report. The preparer may input the financial data, but cannot certify the reports. The CFO may not input data. The preparer must retrieve the report in order to allow certification.

- 1. From the CAFM Main Menu select option 2 Data Entry.
- 2. Select the type of report to certify.
- 3. From the Data Entry Menu select option 5 Update Remarks.
- 4. Select the package (report) to certify.
- 5. Enter the certifying official's current password.

If there are no serious errors (use PF6 SHOW ERRS to show errors), you may submit the report (use PF2 SUBMIT to submit the report) and it will be accepted.

If you are working in a worksheet and decide to certify and submit the report, you may either use the function keys (PF7 PAGE- and PF8 PAGE+), enter FREM (find remarks) on the transporter line or use the jump key (PF9 JUMP) to go to the remarks page.

You must re-enter your password if you review any portion of the report after certification and prior to submission even if no changes are made. CAFM will not store your password.

### Instructions for the Transfer of Debt Between Reporting Entities

HCFA continues to receive criticism from the OIG and its financial statement auditors for being inconsistent in methods of transferring accounts receivable cases to and from Medicare contractors, and other HCFA locations. This criticism is a direct result of the lack of a formalized process and specific instructions for transferring accounts receivable cases between reporting entities.

For financial reporting purposes, the term "referred" is used when a case is not physically sent to the receiving entity for collection purposes. In a "referral" situation, the receiving entity merely "advises and/or assists" the referring entity on what actions to take next with respect to the debt. The responsibility to collect and report the accounts receivable remains with the referring entity and must be reported as part of the ending accounts receivable balance on their Form HCFA-751A/B, Status of Accounts Receivable report.

A "transfer" results when a copy of the up-to-date overpayment case file is physically "transferred" to another reporting entity, i.e., the RO, CO or another Medicare contractor. Along with the case file, the transferring entity must attach a "**Transfer Request and Notification of Acceptance**" form (see Exhibit 17, Attachment I for Part A and Attachment II for Part B of A). This form will serve as both: 1) the transferring entity's request to transfer the case(s), and 2) the receiving entity's notification of acceptance of the transfer.

The transferring entity must complete the form and sign Line 1. The form summarizes the case(s) requiring transfer approval. No entry will be made on Form HCFA-751A/B at this time. Upon receipt of the form, the entity receiving the request will sign Line 2 of the form and forward a copy of the form back to the transferring entity. This will notify the transferring entity of the receipt of the request. The receiving entity will process the request within 30 days of receipt of the transfer, and will return a copy of the Transfer Request and Notification of Acceptance form indicating the case(s) approved for transfer by signing Line 3 of the form.

Only upon receipt of the form signed by the receiving entity, will the transferring entity update its internal systems to reflect the transfer of the accounts receivable to the receiving entity. The transferring entity will reflect the dollar amount of the case(s) approved for transfer on the appropriate transfers out line of Form HCFA-751A/B (Line 5c, Transfers Out to Other Medicare Contractors; Line 5e, Transfers Out to Other HCFA Locations, POR; Line 5g, Transfers Out to Other HCFA Locations, Not on POR). Also upon receipt of the form, the transferring entity must sign Line 4 and forward a copy to the receiving entity to acknowledge receipt of the formal approval for transfer.

The receiving entity will update all internal systems, as well as the POR to reflect the transfer. The location or Medicare contractor number must also be updated in the POR system to reflect the transfer. In addition, the receiving entity will reflect the dollar amount of the case(s) approved for transfer on the appropriate transfers in line of Form HCFA-751A/B (Line 5b, Transfers In from Other Medicare Contractors; Line 5d, Transfers In From Other HCFA Locations, POR; Line 5f, Transfers In from Other HCFA Locations, Not POR).

Prior to submission of the quarterly Form HCFA-750/751A/B, reporting entities must reconcile the transfers in and transfers out lines to ensure **approved transfers** are only being reported. In addition to the requirement to maintain detailed transaction level documentation to support these lines, reporting entities must also retain copies of the signed Transfer Request and Notification of Acceptance forms.

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# TRANSFER REQUEST AND NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE FORM PART A - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Provider Name	Provider Number	Cost Report Period	Overpayment Determination Date	Original Amount	Outstanding Principal Balance	Outstanding Interest Balance	Acceptance Of Transfer Yes/No	Reason for Rejection					
Line 1: Request	Line 1: Requesting/Transferring Entity Official: (Signature required) Total Dollar Amount Requested for Transfer: \$ Title:												

Line 1: Requesting/Transferring Entity Official: (Signature re	equired) Total Dollar Amount Requested for Transfer: \$
Title: Telephone:	Date Requested:
Line 2: Acknowledgment of Receipt of (Signature required) Request Form	(Date received)
Line 3: Approving/Receiving Entity Official: (Signature requirements of the Company of the Compa	ired) Total Dollar Amount Approved for Transfer: \$  Date Approved:
Line 4: Acknowledgement of Receipt of <u>(Signature required Approved Form</u>	) (Date received)

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# TRANSFER REQUEST AND NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE FORM PART B of A - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Provider Name	Provider Number	Cost Report Period	Overpayment Determination Date	Original Amount	Outstanding Principal Balance	Outstanding Interest Balance	Acceptance Of Transfer Yes/No	Reason for Rejection
			al: (Signature re one:ignature required)	equired) Tate Re	equested:	Requested for Trans	fer: \$	

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 4: Acknowledgement of Receipt of \_\_\_\_(Signature required) \_\_\_\_(Date received) \_\_\_\_ Approved Form

Telephone:

Line 3: Approving/Receiving Entity Official: (Signature required) Total Dollar Amount Approved for Transfer: \$\_\_\_\_\_

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### Collection Reconciliation/Acknowledgement Form

There are instances where one reporting entity has received and deposited cash/check/offset/electronic funds transfers (EFTs) for a receivable that is being reported by another entity. In this situation, accounts receivable cases will not be transferred to the location where the deposit of the money is made. To ensure proper matching and application of the collection of monies to the outstanding receivable, the "Collection Reconciliation/Acknowledgement" form must be completed. This form must be completed by the entity (Medicare contractor, HCFA RO or CO) receiving a collection for an accounts receivable that is currently being reported on the financial reports (Forms HCFA –751A/B-HCFA-R751A/B) of another entity.

Medicare contractors are required to ensure that internal controls are in place over the cash/check receipts process to ensure adequate accounting, recording and custody of Medicare assets.

#### Cash/Check Collections

In the instance where a Medicare contractor or CO receives cash/checks, the Medicare contractor or CO must complete lines 1 through 10 of the form and attach all documentation showing the collection of cash/checks. In the instance where a RO receives cash/checks and does not maintain a Medicare bank account to deposit the funds received, the RO must complete lines 1 through 10 of the form and attach the cash/check. The entity that receives the cash/check collection must retain a copy of the form and the check before forwarding them to the entity that will record the collection deposited at another location on its Form HCFA-751/HCFA-R751. This form should be forwarded to the reporting entity no later than (15) fifteen days before the end of the quarter. The entity receiving the form and the check must sign the form on line 11 and forward a copy of the form to the official who signed line 10, no later than (15) fifteen days after receipt of the form. This will acknowledge the receipt of the form and the check.

#### Non-Cash Collections (Offsets/Electronic Funds Transfers)

In the instance where a Medicare contractor or CO receives a non-cash collection due to offset or EFT, the Medicare contractor or CO must complete lines 1 through 10 of the form and attach all documentation showing the offset or EFT. The entity that receives a non-cash collection must retain a copy of the form and any documentation before forwarding them to the entity that will record the collection deposited at another location on its Forms HCFA-751/R751A/B. This form should be forwarded to the reporting entity no later than (15) fifteen days before the end of the quarter. The entity receiving the form and the supporting documentation must sign the form on line 11 and forward a copy of the form to the official who signed line 10, no later than (15) fifteen days after receipt of the form. This will acknowledge the receipt of the form and the supporting documentation.

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	Collection Reconciliation	n/Acknowledgement Form
(1)	Location of A/R	(i.e., Medicare contractor, RO, or CO)
(2)	Location of the Collection Collection, indicate such even though a	(i.e., Medicare contractor, RO, or CO. If RO ctual deposit is made at Central Office)
(3)	RegionMedicare contractor	Name and Number
(4)	Non-MSP Accounts Receivable Provider/Physician/Supplier Number Provider/Physician/Supplier Name Tax Identification Number_ Overpayment Determination Date Claim Number Cla Cost Report Year  MSP Accounts Receivable Debtor Name HIC # / Report ID Determination Date_ Beneficiary Name	aim Paid Date or
(5)	Was debt in CNC status prior to this col	llection:(Yes/No)
(6)	Date of Collection (Postmark or Govern	nment Collection date)
(7)	Type of Collection Check Number or Government Collecti Amount of Collection \$ Amount Applied to Principal \$ Amount Applied to Interest \$	on Number
(8)	Collection Reported in quarter ending_	
(9)	A/R Reported in quarter ending	
(10)	Signature of Official at Location Where Collection is Reported	(11) Signature of Official at Location Where Reduction of A/R is Recorded
Phone Fax #		

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# Instructions for Reporting Non-MSP Currently Not Collectible (CNC) Debt

As part of our effort to improve financial reporting, we are revising the policy for reporting non-MSP delinquent debt. In April 1999, the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) issued Program Memorandum (PM) Transmittal Number AB-99-26, *Financial Reporting of Delinquent Debts - Non-MSP Accounts Receivable*, outlining HCFA's revised policy for recognizing uncollectible non-Medicare Secondary Payer (Non-MSP) debt. This manual instruction supersedes PM AB-99-26 (dated April 1999), and will establish a standard to manage and report delinquent Non-MSP debt older than two years where chances of collection are unlikely. Specifically, this debt will be categorized as "Currently Not Collectible" (CNC) debt. Debts that are recommended by the Medicare contractor to be "written-off closed," in accordance with established write-off policies and procedures, must first obtain approval from its HCFA Regional Office (RO).

CNC debt is not recognized as an accounts receivable for financial reporting purposes, because to do so would overstate the true economic value of the assets on the financial statements. While CNC debts are not accounts receivable reported on the financial statements, CNC debt remains eligible for collection including using the tools of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996. This allows delinquent debt to be worked until the end of its statutory collection life cycle.

The Department of Treasury and the Office of Management and Budget require that Agencies submit reports to them on financial management and performance data so that debt collection programs and policies can be evaluated. Thus, HCFA is requiring its Medicare contractors to report and monitor CNC debt on a quarterly basis. HCFA Central Office (CO) will continue to review and approve debts for CNC status. HCFA RO will also review and recommend approval of debts submitted by their Medicare contractors for CNC. This PM clarifies the dollar thresholds and types of debt eligible to be reclassified as CNC, as well as providing guidance on writing off specific debts as "write-off closed" that meet the criteria outlined below.

#### Ouarterly Review of Debt for CNC Reclassification

CNC is defined as debts over two years old with no payment, recoupment, or offset activity within the past twelve months. CNC debts must be valid, legally enforceable, not in bankruptcy, appeal, or under fraud and abuse investigation, and the debtor cannot be deceased. These debts should remain as active debts in Medicare contractors' claims processing systems. Debts also excluded from this definition are debts that are less than \$600 and beneficiary debts. Although these types of debts may satisfy the CNC definition, Medicare contractors should recommend for approval by the RO to write this debt off as "write-off closed". Debts that are less than \$600 and beneficiary debts previously approved for reclassification to CNC, should be submitted to the ROs for approval to be written off closed.

Fiscal intermediary claims accounts receivables are also excluded from CNC reclassification and should remain on the contractors' books as active debt. On the other hand, carrier claims accounts receivable will be considered for CNC status, and must meet the CNC definition referred to above for recommendation to CNC reclassification.

Debts recommended for "write-off closed" should be referred to the ROs under normal debt collection "write-off closed" and referral procedures. Debts previously approved for CNC reclassification which now exceed the six year statute of limitations for collection, should also be recommended for "write-off closed" by the Medicare contractor. Debts cannot be reclassified to CNC or "write-off closed" in the Medicare contractors' internal systems until formal HCFA approval has been received.

Medicare contractors must continuously review all debt and <u>quarterly</u> request approval to reclassify debts as CNC. Therefore, Medicare contractors are required to submit a report to RO Debt Collection Staffs <u>each quarter</u> containing all debts that are being recommended for CNC reclassification. RO Debt Collection Staffs will review these reports for completeness and forward

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them to the CO Debt Collection Branch for final review and approval by the HCFA Claims Collection Officer. A Medicare contractor must submit a <u>negative report</u> if it does not have any debts eligible for CNC for the quarter. ROs are required to submit a package, including the reports of all Medicare contractors in its' region, to CO no later than 45 days after the end of each quarter. CO will return approved listings to the ROs within 30 days of receipt. Approved reports will be returned to the contractors through the ROs.

The Financial Workgroups for each shared system are encouraged to include this criteria when requesting systems changes for CNC debts. The Medicare contractor systems should produce a report that identifies debts meeting the CNC definition. Quarterly reports submitted to the RO requesting CNC approval must be reviewed and certified by the **Chief Financial Officer of Medicare Operations** at each Medicare contractor site. This report should include a concurrence line for the RO and CO Debt Collection Branch, and an approval line for the signature of the Claims Collection Officer. The Medicare contractor should update their internal systems to identify the approved CNC.

Each report must include the following information:

### Fiscal Intermediary Overpayments:

- o Medicare Contractor Name and Number;
- o Medicare Contractor Contact Person/Phone/Fax;
- o Medicare Contractor Mailing Address;
- o Provider Name and Number;
- o Cost Reporting Period;
- o Overpayment Determination Date;
- o Status Code;
- o Overpayment Type;
- o Original Amount of Debt;
- o Balance Outstanding (principal and accrued interest listed separately);
- o Date interest accrued through;
- o Date of last payment, offset or recoupment;
- o Debtor Tax Identification Number;
- o Last Known Address Of Debtor; and
- o Medicare Contractor's Recommendation: CNC or Closed.

Reports requesting approval to reclassify debt as CNC must be submitted to the RO quarterly and no later than 30 days after the end of the quarter. (See Exhibit 19, Attachments I and II for examples of required reporting format). After formal HCFA approval is received, Medicare contractors are responsible for updating the new status of the debt in their internal systems, as well as the Provider Overpayment Reporting (POR) system. The update must be performed within ten calendar days from the receipt of the approval.

#### Financial Reporting

All transaction level detailed documentation concerning any adjustments, write-off closed, CNC, etc. must be retained for the Office of Inspector General (OIG) or any other internal or external review organization, in accordance with record retention procedures outlined in the Medicare Intermediary Manual. This detailed documentation must be readily available for review upon request by HCFA, OIG and/or the General Accounting Office.

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Medicare contractors are reminded that debts that are reclassified to CNC may still be collected. Thus, memorandum entries of CNC debt must be maintained within the Medicare contractor shared systems in the event a collection occurs. The Medicare contractor's recoupment/offset flags in the shared system must remain in effect even after the debt is reclassified as CNC. Again, transaction level detail documentation to support each line item balance of CNC debt reported on Form HCFA-C751A/B is required to be maintained to ensure that HCFA and its Medicare contractors have supportable balances.

Debts which have received approval for CNC reclassification must be reported in the following manner:

- 1. On Form HCFA-751A/B, the amount reclassified as CNC, including principal and interest, will be recorded on Line 6c, Transfers Out to CNC. This will reduce the ending balance reflected on Form HCFA-750A/B.
- 2. On Form HCFA-750A/B, the correct ending balance (now reduced by the CNC debt) will be reported on the appropriate line (i.e., Provider, Beneficiary or Physician/Supplier) in the asset section of the balance sheet. Accordingly, the Transfers Out to CNC amount reflected in the Expense portion of the income statement should be increased to reflect the value of principal debt reclassified as CNC; a reduction of revenue on the Transfers Out to CNC line should be recorded in the Revenue section of the income statement for the value of interest reclassified as CNC.
- 3. Debts which are reclassified as CNC, may still be collected. These debts should not be removed from internal accounting systems or the POR. Memorandum entries should be maintained in the Medicare contractor systems, and if collection subsequently occurs, an upward adjustment for the full amount of the debt collected should be recorded on line 6b, Transfers In from CNC of Form HCFA-751A/B, and a simultaneous collection recorded on Line 4a, Cash/Check Collections or Line 4b, Offset Collections of Form HCFA-751A/B.
- 4. Amounts reclassified to CNC during each reporting period, and a cumulative amount for that fiscal year should be reported on Line 2a, New CNC Debt of Form HCFA-C751A/B.
- 5. A CNC date field has been added in the POR and additional status codes have been developed. Each debt approved for CNC must be updated with the status code "01". The current date must be entered in the CNC date field. The update must be performed within ten calendar days of identification as a CNC debt. Do not change the location code of the debt.

Debts previously approved and updated to CNC status in the POR may need to be reactivated as collections or events occur that will render the debt ineligible to remain in CNC status. These debts will be returned to active status. Status codes in the POR have been developed that will show that the debt was previously CNC, but has now been returned to active status.

These codes will also be the same on the POR, but will be preceded with a "0" (zero) and will be available at all location codes.

Additional Status Codes for POR:

- 01. CNC
- 02. Write-Off Closed
- 03. CNC DCIA letter sent
- 04. Reactivate Bankruptcy
- 05. Reactive Payment Received

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- 06. Reactivate Appeal/Litigation/Fraud & Abuse Investigation
- 07. Reactivate Compromise
- 08. Reactivate Extended Repayment Agreement
- 09. CNC Debt Written-Off Closed
- 1 00. Reactivate Other (includes Debtor Deceased)

The "09" must be accompanied by a valid closed date. Cases with a status code of 09 (POR), and a valid closed date will be rolled to a history file at the end of the quarter.

In addition to updating the POR with the appropriate status codes for the reactivation, the CNC date previously inputted should be removed. This can be performed in the POR by depressing the enter key at the update screen, tabbing to the CNC Date Field, entering all zeroes, and depressing the enter key a second time.

Medicare contractors must continue to accrue interest for debt which has been reclassified as CNC. Additionally, HCFA recognizes that for those systems where interest is updated automatically, the interest submitted with a recommendation for CNC may differ from the interest shown in the Medicare contractor's system at the time the Medicare contractor receives approval for CNC. The HCFA approval of the principal and interest recommended for CNC is sufficient support for the subsequent reclassification, including any increase in the interest, as long as the principal remains the same.

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Medicare Contractor Name and Number:

Medicare Contractor Contact Person/Phone/Fax:

Medicare Contractor Mailing Address:

Part A - HI

Provider Name	Provider Number	Cost Reporting Period	Overpayment Determination Date	Status Code	Overpayment Type	Original Amount of Debt	Outstanding Principal Balance	Outstanding Interest Balance	Interest Accrued Through Date	Date of Last Payment, Offset or Recoupment	Debtor Tax ID Number	Last Known Address of Debtor	Recommended: CNC or Closed

(Provide totals for each column if applicable)

Chief Financial Officer of Medicare Operations: (signature required)

Associate Regional Administrator/Division of Financial Management: (signature required)

HCFA Debt Collection Branch Chief: (signature required) \_\_\_ Concur \_\_\_ Non Concur

HCFA Claims Collection Officer Approval: (signature required)

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Exhibit 19 (Cont.) Attachment II

Medicare Contractor Name and Number:

Medicare Contractor Contact Person/Phone/Fax:

Medicare Contractor Mailing Address:

Part B of A - SMI

Provider Name	Provider Number	Cost Reporting Period	Overpayment Determination Date	Status Code	Overpayment Type	Original Amount of Debt	Outstanding Principal Balance	Outstanding Interest Balance	Interest Accrued Through Date	Date of Last Payment, Offset or Recoupment	Debtor Tax ID Number	Last Known Address of Debtor	Recommended: CNC or Closed

Chief Financial	Officer of Med	icare Operations:	(signature required)

(Provide totals for each column if applicable)

Associate Regional Administrator/Division of Financial Management: (signature required)

HCFA Debt Collection Branch Chief: (signature required) \_\_\_\_ Concur \_\_\_\_ Non Concur

HCFA Claims Collection Officer Approval: (signature required)

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# Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) -- Procedures for Reporting MSP Currently Not Collectible (CNC) Debt

As part of its effort to improve financial reporting, HCFA has implemented the category of currently not collectible (CNC) for delinquent debt which is unlikely to be collected within a reasonable time frame. HCFA's CNC policy provides that CNC debt will not be recognized as accounts receivable (A/R) for financial statement reporting purposes because to do so would overstate the true economic value of the assets on the financial statements. While CNC debts are not A/R reported on the financial statements, Medicare contractors must continue appropriate recovery efforts for these debts until they are recommended and approved by HCFA for "write-off-closed." The CNC process permits and requires the use of tools of the Debt Collection Improvement Act (DCIA) of 1996.

<u>Criteria for Selection</u> – The criteria for selection for CNC and the specific instructions for implementation of this category are different for MSP A/R and non-MSP A/R due to the differing characteristics of MSP and non-MSP debt. All MSP A/R which are 180 days delinquent must be recommended for CNC reclassification. The MSP A/R must be 180 days delinquent as of the last day of the quarter prior to the quarter in which the CNC recommendation is submitted for RO approval. "All MSP A/R" means all, without regard to whether the debt is Group Health Plan (GHP) based or liability/no-fault/workers' compensation based and without regard to the type of debtor (employer, insurer, beneficiary, provider/supplier, etc.). Where the MSP recovery demand letter stated that the debt was due and payable 30 days from the date of the demand, the debt is delinquent on day 31 if it has not been paid in full or there is no valid documented defense for the unpaid amount. Where the MSP recovery demand letter stated that the debt was due and payable 60 days from the date of the demand, the debt is delinquent on day 61 if it has not been paid in full or there is no valid documented defense for the unpaid amount. Additionally, all MSP accounts receivable which are 180 days delinquent will be reclassified as CNC without regard to whether or not the debt is in bankruptcy, under fraud and abuse investigation, has an appeal pending at any level, or is in litigation/negotiation. A MSP debt's eligibility for DCIA referral to a Department of the Treasury designated Debt Collection Center for further collection efforts, including the Treasury Offset Program (TOP) has no bearing on or relationship to whether or not the debt should be reclassified as CNC.

<u>Additional Considerations</u> – If a Medicare contractor believes that a particular MSP A/R meets the criteria for both "write-off-closed" and CNC, the MSP A/R should be recommended for "write-off-closed."

These instructions supplement but do not supercede instructions for the category of "write-off-closed" for MSP debt. MSP debts on Form HCFA-M751A/B report and MSP debts which have been reclassified as CNC should be recommended for "write-off-closed" if they meet the criteria for MSP "write-off-closed." The difference is that the final "write-off-closed" action for CNC debt will be reported on Form HCFA-MC751A/B rather than on Form HCFA-M751A/B.

These instructions only apply to established MSP A/R. They may **not** be used to close MSP liability/no-fault/workers' compensation leads where no settlement, judgment or award exists and no recovery demand has been issued.

Some Medicare contractors may still have old MSP-based provider/supplier (including physician) debt or MSP-based beneficiary debt which has not been reported on their Form HCFA-M751A/B and which has been referred to the RO under non-MSP rules or otherwise treated as a non-MSP receivable. Old MSP-based debt which has been treated as non-MSP debt (that is tracked and processed under non-MSP rules) should be treated as non-MSP debt for CNC purposes as well.

Medicare contractors may only recommend CNC for a MSP A/R which is being reported as part of their ending MSP A/R balance. MSP A/R which have been **transferred** to the ROs for referral to other agencies or entities such as the Department of Justice or Office of General Counsel will be addressed by the ROs. MSP A/R with CO locations will be addressed by CO. MSP A/R which have

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been **referred** to another location, without transfer, remain the responsibility of the Medicare contractor.

Medicare contractors may not recommend CNC for less than the full amount of an outstanding MSP debt. For GHP-based MSP A/R where the demand was issued to the employer, insurer, or third party administrator, GHP, or other plan sponsor, the debt includes all of the claims in a demand to a debtor for a particular beneficiary. For GHP Data Match (DM) recoveries, this would be all of the claims associated with a particular Mistaken Payment and Recovery Tracking System (MPaRTS) Report ID although a single cover letter might have been issued for multiple beneficiaries' Medicare reimbursed claims. For duplicate primary payment recovery demands to a provider/supplier (including physician), the debt includes all claims in the recovery demand regardless of the number of beneficiaries involved. For liability, no-fault, or workers' compensation, the debt includes all claims in the recovery demand.

Previously some Medicare contractors processed/tracked MSP-based provider/supplier (including physician) A/R and/or MSP-based beneficiary A/R as non-MSP A/R and did not include such A/R on their Form HCFA-M751A/B report. Medicare contractors may no longer do this for new MSP A/R. Any pre-existing MSP-based provider/supplier (including physician) A/R and/or MSP-based beneficiary A/R which are not reflected in the Medicare contractor's Form HCFA-M751A/B report may not be recommended for MSP CNC. Pre-existing MSP-based provider/supplier (including physician) A/R and/or MSP-based beneficiary A/R which have been tracked/processed, or otherwise treated as non-MSP debt should follow the rules for non-MSP CNC.

Medicare contractors must continue to accrue interest for debt which has been reclassified as CNC. Additionally, HCFA recognizes that for those systems where interest is updated automatically, the interest submitted with a recommendation for CNC may differ from the interest shown in the Medicare contractor's system at the time the Medicare contractor receives approval for CNC. The HCFA approval of the principal and interest recommended for CNC is sufficient support for the subsequent reclassification, including any increase in the interest, as long as the principal remains the same.

Medicare contractor systems must be able to maintain transaction level detail of debt that has been reclassified as CNC to enable future collection activities and to maintain a proper audit trail.

#### Data requirements and format for recommendations for CNC:

MSP A/R recommended for CNC require the submission of the following information to the Medicare contractor's RO MSP coordinator: (see Exhibit 20, Attachments I and II for the recommend format)

- Medicare contractor name and number.
- Medicare contractor mailing address.
- Medicare contractor contact person/phone number/fax number/e-mail address.
- Type of MSP Debt (GHP or non-GHP (this includes liability, no-fault, and workers' compensation)).
  - Beneficiary Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN).
  - Beneficiary name.
  - Name of debtor.

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- Name of insurer **for GHP based debts** where the current debtor is the insurer/employer/third party administrator/GHP/other plan sponsor.
- Type of debtor (A=insurer/employer/third party administrator/GHP/other plan sponsor; B=provider/supplier(including physicians); C=beneficiary, D=other (must specify)).
  - Date of initial recovery demand letter to current debtor.
  - Original A/R amount for the current debtor.
- Existing A/R amount (principal and interest listed separately, as well as a total amount for principal plus interest; HI/SMI must also be listed and reported separately).
  - Date of last payment, collection, recoupment, offset, or adjustment activity (provide date or "none").
  - Tax Identification Number (TIN) for debtor. The TIN is the Employer Identification Number (EIN) or Social Security Number (SSN).

**NOTE:** The debtor is the individual or entity to whom the last recovery demand was issued. Where the demand was issued to an individual in their capacity as legal counsel or representative of any type, the debtor is the beneficiary, provider/supplier (including physician), or other individual or entity being represented. Where recovery is being pursued from the attorney or other representative in their own right, the debtor is the attorney or other representative.

The above listed data elements are mandatory for CNC for all MSP A/R established October 1, 2000 or later. It is also mandatory for all MSP A/R with a recovery demand date of October 1, 2000, or later, regardless of when the MSP A/R was established. For CNC recommendations for MSP A/R established prior to October 1, 2000, Medicare contractors may submit recommendations without the following data elements if the CNC recommendation certifies that these data elements are not readily available: Beneficiary name and HIC number where the beneficiary is not the debtor; Insurer name where the insurer is not the debtor; and Type of debtor.

If a Medicare contractor has bulk MSP A/Rs on the GTE system for older Data Match and non-Data Match GHP debt, the contractor - for these MSP A/R only - must: 1) Identify the A/R as a bulk receivable on the GTE system, 2) Identify the insurer, 3) Identify the date of the demand, and 4) Identify the associated dollar amounts for principal and interest. Any contractor who created bulk receivables for GHP-based MSP debt using any system other than GTE must contact their RO for assistance. The RO will, in turn, discuss the issue with CO.

Each listing must contain a written certification that all of the required criteria/considerations for CNC are met.

Recommendations must be signed by the CFO of Medicare Operations. The CFO's signature constitutes his/her certification to all information/statements contained in the recommendation.

#### **CNC Approval Process**

Recommendations for the approval of CNC should be sent to your RO MSP Coordinator electronically and by hard copy no later than the first day of the second month of each quarter (November 1, February 1, May 1, and August 1). Hard copies should be dated and mailed the same

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day as the electronic transmission. The hard copy must be signed by the CFO of Medicare Operations. Include a preprinted address label with the hard copy for the return of approved CNC recommendations.

ROs are responsible for approval or denial of all recommendations for CNC based upon the criteria set forth in these instructions. RO approval will be by the Assistant Regional Administrator (ARA) for Financial Management. ROs will complete their review of the Medicare contractors' recommended CNC and return their approval or denial of such reclassifications by the first of the last month of each quarter (December 1, March 1, June 1, and September 1). ROs may return an electronic copy annotated to show approval or denial by the RO ARA for Financial Management in order to meet the required time frame for approval, but this will be followed by a hard copy which was signed and dated by the ARA for Financial Management. (ROs will also send copies of the signed RO approval or denial each quarter to HCFA CO to the attention of: 1) Chief, MSP Operations Branch, Division of Financial Integrity, Office of Financial Management; and 2) Chief, Financial Reporting and Oversight Branch, Division of Accounting, Office of Financial Management).

The CNC action should not be taken nor should any changes be made to the MSP A/R on any systems (Medicare contractor systems or other systems which Medicare contractors have responsibility for updating) for CNC until the recommendation for CNC has been processed by HCFA, approved in writing, and returned to the Medicare contractor. The listing of approved CNC will be returned to the contractors by the ROs. Receipt of this approval authorizes the Medicare contractor to reclassify the MSP A/R, and update the MSP A/R and associated case in all appropriate systems. Where the RO does not approve a recommended CNC for a particular debt, the RO will annotate this clearly on the returned form. This information will be clearly shown on both the advance electronic copy of the approval, as well as the hard copy signed by the ARA for Financial Management. When the MSP A/R is reclassified as CNC, the associated case file must be annotated to show that a particular MSP A/R was reclassified as CNC and the date/quarter of the action. Reclassification as CNC does not close the associated case. MPaRTS (Mistaken Payment and Recovery Tracking System) does not need to be updated for Data Match debt when the MSP A/R is reclassified as CNC.

The HCFA approval of MSP A/R reclassified as CNC must be retained and available upon request (from the Office of the Inspector General or any other internal or external review organization) in accordance with retention procedures in the Medicare Intermediary and Carrier Manuals. Medicare contractors are also reminded that under the Department of Justice's requested records freeze, all records must be retained indefinitely. This HCFA approval must also be annotated by the Medicare contractor to indicate the date/quarter when the MSP A/R was reclassified.

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MSP Accounts Receivable: Contractor Recommendation for Reclassification as CNC

Medicare Contractor Name and Number:

Medicare Contractor Contact Person/Phone/Fax/E-mail Address: Medicare Contractor Mailing Address:

Part A - HI

Type of MSP Debt	Bene. HICN	Bene. Name	Debtor Name	Debtor Type	Date of Initial Demand	Original AR Amount	Current Principal Balance (HI)	Current Interest Balance (HI)	Current Principal Balance (SMI)	Current Interest Balance (SMI)	Total Principal and Interest	Date of Last Payment, Offset, Recoup. Or Adjustment	TIN of Current Debtor

(Provide totals for each column if applicable)
CFO of Medicare Operations: (signature required) (Signature constitutes certification that all HCFA specified criteria for CNC reclassification are met.)
Associate Regional Administrator/Division of Financial Management: (signature required) ConcurNonConcur
Date of Referral to RO: Date of RO decision: Date/quarter when approved MSP A/R were reclassified as CNC:

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MSP Accounts Receivable: Contractor Recommendation for Reclassification as CNC

Medicare Contractor Name and Number: Medicare Contractor Contact Person/Phone/Fax/E-mail Address: Medicare Contractor Mailing Address:

Part B of A - SMI

Type of MSP Debt	Bene. HICN	Bene. Name	Debtor Name	Debtor Type	Date of Initial Demand	Original AR Amount	Current Principal Balance (HI)	Current Interest Balance (HI)	Current Principal Balance (SMI)	Current Interest Balance (SMI)	Total Principal and Interest	Date of Last Payment, Offset, Recoup. Or Adjustment	TIN of Current Debtor

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## HCFA Policy for Recognizing Accounts Receivable

#### **Overview**

The majority of the Medicare accounts receivable balances reported by HCFA in its financial statements are comprised of overpayments made to providers, physicians, suppliers, beneficiaries, insurers, employers and other entities. The primary responsibility for identifying, recording, collecting, and reporting overpayments lies with HCFA's Medicare contractors. HCFA defines an "overpayment" as Medicare funds that a provider, physician/supplier, beneficiary, insurer, employer, or other entity has received in excess of amounts due and payable under the Medicare statute and regulations. Once a determination of an overpayment has been made, the amount so determined is a debt that is owed to the Medicare program. For financial reporting purposes, this overpayment or debt must be recognized as an accounts receivable and reported as an asset in HCFA's financial statements.

HCFA has adopted the financial reporting definition for the recognition of an accounts receivable set forth by the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB). The FASAB recommends generally accepted accounting standards and principles for the Federal Government. The FASAB sets these standards and principles so that Federal agencies' financial reports include understandable, relevant, and reliable information about the financial position, activities, and results of operations of the United States government and its component units.

According to the FASAB's Statement on Federal Financial Accounting Standard Number 1 (SFFAS No.1), *Accounting for Selected Assets and Liabilities*,

"Accounts receivables are amounts that an entity claims for payment from others. They arise from claims to cash or other assets." Additionally, the FASAB recommends, "A receivable should be recognized when a Federal entity establishes a claim to cash or other assets against other entities, either based on legal provisions, such as a payment due date (e.g., taxes not received by the date they are due), or goods or services provided. If the exact amount is unknown, a reasonable estimate should be made."

For financial reporting purposes, recognition means the process of formally recording an item into the financial statements of an entity as an asset, liability, revenue, expense, or the like. In the case of Medicare contractors, recognition would equate to recording the accounts receivable on Form HCFA-750A/B and HCFA Form-751A/B Contractor Financial Reports.

# **Recognition Policy**

HCFA and its Medicare contractors will recognize and report an accounts receivable as of the date a demand letter is sent to the debtor. Specifically, contractors will recognize and record an accounts receivable (Non-Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) and MSP overpayments) as of the date of the demand letter on Line 2a, New Receivables of Form HCFA-751A/B Status of Accounts Receivable Report. The act of sending out the demand letter is the event that triggers the recognition of an accounts receivable. The purpose of the demand letter is to notify the debtor of the existence of the overpayment, and to request payment. The MIM §2222 and the MCM §7130 outlines the language and information that, at a minimum, a demand letter must contain. A demand letter must contain the name and address of the debtor, the amount of the overpayment, terms of how interest will be assessed, date when repayment is due, and the debtor's rights to appeal. All these items are consistent with the definition recommended by the FASAB as outlined above.

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It is important for Medicare contractors to ensure that they retain copies of a demand letter(s) sent. The demand letter provides documentation or evidence of the actual debt and recovery efforts taken. It must be kept in each case file with other associated case documents or correspondence if the case is referred to the Department of Justice; referred for debt cross-servicing; requested by HCFA, Office of Inspector General (OIG) or General Accounting Office (GAO) during audits/reviews. This information is necessary and needed to support the debt.

Unless otherwise specifically noted, this policy is applicable to both non-MSP and MSP overpayments. The following are specific circumstances where application of this policy will not apply, i.e., when an accounts receivable would be recognized even though a demand letter has not been issued or, vice versa, where sending a demand letter would not necessarily require the recognition of an accounts receivable.

- Accounts Receivables Due to Unfiled Cost Reports; and
- Consent Settlement Agreements.

These two circumstances are not all inclusive. If there is a specific situation that is not described above, Medicare contractors should consult HCFA for further guidance.

# **Accounts Receivable Due to Unfiled Cost Reports**

Through analysis of Federal financial accounting standards and regulations, HCFA believes that recognition of a receivable prior to the filing of a cost report significantly overstates net assets and ultimately net position. Furthermore, HCFA believes that current accounting procedures for recognizing accounts receivables due to a provider's failure to file a cost report timely does not adhere to the accounting principles articulated in Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards Number (SFFAS No.) 1 - Accounting for Selected Assets and Liabilities, SFFAS No. 5 - Accounting for Liabilities of the Federal Government, and SFFAS No. 7 - Nonexchange Revenue (Measurement & Recognition), as well as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) of conservatism and matching. Based on this analysis, the failure to file a cost report does not complete the earnings process, and accordingly, no accounting event has occurred. As such, the recognition of a receivable prior to the completion of the earnings process (receipt or filing of a cost report) is poor matching. In addition, SFFAS Nos. 5 and 7 states that liabilities and nonexchange revenue should only be recognized when a past event or exchange transaction has occurred, use of resources (inflow or outflow) are probable and can be reasonably estimated or measured. Without the actual submission of the cost report, HCFA cannot reasonably estimate the amount of the receivable, as required by SFFAS No. 1.

Therefore, unfiled cost report receivables will no longer be reported on the Form HCFA-750 Contractor Financial Report and Form HCFA-751, Status of Accounts Receivable Report. HCFA's current financial reporting instructions require Medicare fiscal intermediaries to place providers who have not filed a timely cost report on 100 percent penalty withhold, and recognize and demand a receivable based on the value of all interim payments made to the provider in, and subsequent to, the cost reporting period, without considering the value of actual services performed during that period. Federal debt collection regulations allow HCFA to demand repayment of the full amount paid to a provider during a cost reporting period if a provider fails to comply with the requirements to file a cost report in a timely manner. However, for financial reporting purposes, HCFA recognizes that the entire amount being demanded does not truly represent funds owed to HCFA. Since the provider has performed services, the true economic value of the receivable demanded is overstated. In fact, HCFA may have a liability upon settlement. Cost report receivables should not be accrued until related cost reports are received, and HCFA can support the existence of a receivable through provider agreement, such as filing a cost report, filing a cost report without sufficient payment, or a court ruling in favor of HCFA.

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As a result, for financial reporting purposes, HCFA is revising its policy for reporting unfiled cost reports as an accounts receivable, unless the fiscal intermediary is aware of a unique situation where recording an accounts receivable would be appropriate. Fiscal intermediaries will continue to reflect an overpayment on the Provider Overpayment Reporting (POR) system based on the value of all interim payments made to the provider in, and subsequent to, the cost reporting period.

However, effective for the March 31, 2001 reporting period, accounts receivable for unfiled cost reports will no longer be reported on Form HCFA-750 and Form HCFA-751. HCFA will continue to monitor and manage the status of unfiled cost reports through the POR system, without overstating accounts receivable on the financial statements. All other processes related to unfiled cost reports remain unchanged. Fiscal intermediaries must continue to: (1) Place the providers on 100 percent penalty withhold, (2) Demand the submission of delinquent cost reports from providers based on current debt collection regulations, and (3) Refer the debt in accordance with the requirements of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996.

Fiscal intermediaries must ensure that Line 7, Ending Balance, of Form HCFA-751 does not include any receivables due to unfiled cost reports. If accounts receivables due to unfiled cost reports were included in the December 31, 2000 Form HCFA-751, these receivables must be zeroed out by recording a downward adjustment for these amounts on Line 5a, Reclassified/Adjustments, on Form HCFA-751 and provide a specific footnote in the remarks section of the report identifying the nature and amount of the adjustment.

### Consent Settlement Agreements Resulting from Comprehensive Medical Reviews (CMRs)

Typically, postpayment reviews of claims are conducted for a specified provider/physician/supplier or group in order to evaluate their billing patterns over a selected period of time. CMRs are performed to determine whether a suspected provider/physician/supplier or groups are providing noncovered or medically unnecessary services. A CMR is a thorough analysis of a sample of processed claims and all pertinent data (such as medical record, beneficiary payment history, etc.) for selected providers/physicians/suppliers for a specified time period. CMRs are usually targeted to providers/physicians/suppliers who have demonstrated aberrant billing and/or practice patterns.

If a CMR determines that an incorrect amount of money has been paid to the provider/physician/supplier, the contractor must assess an overpayment based on instructions outlined in the contractor manuals. Per MCM §7511, there are three different types of overpayments that result from a CMR: Actual overpayment, projected overpayment, and limited projected overpayment. The type of sample used during a CMR determines how Medicare contractors are to assess and demand money back from the provider or physician/supplier who was overpaid.

An actual overpayment is, for the actual claims reviewed, the sum of the payments (based on the amount paid to the provider/physician/supplier and Medicare approved amounts) made to a provider/physician/supplier for services which were determined to be not medically necessary or incorrectly billed. If an actual overpayment is assessed, Medicare contractors must send a demand letter for the amount of the actual overpayment and recognize an accounts receivable on Line 2a, New Receivables, of Form HCFA-751.

A projected overpayment is defined as the numeric overpayment obtained by projecting an overpayment from a statistically valid random sample (SVRS) to all similar claims in the universe under review. Medicare contractors must notify the provider or physician/supplier of the overpayment, and refer the case to the Medicare contractor's overpayment staff to demand and collect the overpayment. Medicare contractors must send a demand letter for the amount of the projected overpayment and recognize an accounts receivable on Line 2a, New Receivables, of Form HCFA-751.

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A limited projected overpayment is the numeric overpayment obtained by projecting an overpayment from a limited sample or limited SVRS subsample to all similar claims in the universe under review (see MCM §7511.3 (C)). If this type of overpayment is assessed, Medicare contractors have three overpayment assessment options. The Medicare contractor can assess an actual overpayment; a projected overpayment based on a SVRS by performing an expanded CMR; or can offer the provider or physician/supplier a consent settlement based on the potential projected overpayment amount. Again, if an actual or project overpayment is assessed, Medicare contractors must send a demand letter, and recognize an accounts receivable on Line 2a, New Receivables, of Form HCFA-751.

If a consent settlement is offered to the debtor, the consent settlement document must carefully explain what rights a debtor waives by accepting the consent settlement. It must contain a binding statement that a debtor agrees to waive any rights to appeal the decision regarding the potential overpayment determination. If this option is used, the Medicare contractors **must not** recognize an accounts receivable until a consent settlement is signed and agreed to by the debtor and HCFA.

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