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I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This transmittal updates the ANSI X12N transaction 835 companion document and the flat file for Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs) to accommodate National Council for Prescription Drug Program (NCPDP) requirement, and the 835 companion document for Fiscal Intermediaries. These documents are available at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/providers/edi/hipaadoc.asp>.

NEW/REVISED MATERIAL - EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2004

***IMPLEMENTATION DATE: February 1, 2004**

Disclaimer for manual changes only: The revision date and transmittal number apply only to red italicized material. Any other material was previously published and remains unchanged.

II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual not updated.)
(R = REVISED, N = NEW, D = DELETED – (Only One Per Row.)

R/N/D	CHAPTER/SECTION/SUBSECTION/TITLE
N/A	

III. FUNDING: *Medicare contractors only:

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

	Business Requirements
	Manual Instruction
	Confidential Requirements
X	One-Time Notification

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SUBJECT: ANSI X12 Transaction 835 Companion Document and Flat File Change for Durable Medical Equipment Regional Carriers (DMERCs), and Correction in the Companion Document for Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs).

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Background:

In order to accommodate NCPDP requirement of providing the member ID # in the NM1 (Patient Name) segment, the following change is being made in the companion document and the flat file for transaction 835 for carriers and DMERCs. Carriers do not have to include modifier MI. This change applies only to DMERCs and VMS.

The new language in the Carrier/DMERC companion document:

NM108 Situational, but required for Medicare. Enter “HN” for Medicare, until notified that the HIPAA Individual Identifier is effective, at which point enter “II” in this data element. **DMERCs enter MI or HN.** None of the other qualifiers apply to Medicare.

The corresponding flat file change:

NM108 ID code qualifier 197 ID 1-2 S HN, II, MI

This change in flat file does not impact MCS and carriers.

The companion document and the flat file are posted at:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/providers/edi/hipaadoc.asp> under carrier section under the file names B835V4010CD-9-2003.zip, and B835v4010and4010A1-3.zip respectively.

In Transmittal A-03-005 (CR 2498), a companion document change was: “For Medicare’s use of 835 version 4010, report TOPs with IS, interim settlement, in PLB03-1, and IR in the first 2 positions in PLB03-2.” This change did not show up in the companion document posted on the CMS Web site. It is being corrected, and the corrected companion document will be posted under the file name A835v4010CD-9-2003.zip.

B. Policy:

HIPAA transactions must comply with the implementation guides. The companion documents supplement, but do not contradict any requirements in the X12N 835 version 4010/4010A1 implementation guide.

C. Provider Education: None

II. BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS

"Shall" denotes a mandatory requirement

"Should" denotes an optional requirement

Requirement #	Requirements	Responsibility
2947.1	The DMERCs shall implement the flat file change (add qualifier MI in NM108) in their translators.	DMERCs

III. SUPPORTING INFORMATION & POSSIBLE DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A. Other Instructions: None

X-Ref Requirement #	Instructions

B. Design Considerations: None

X-Ref Requirement #	Recommendation for Medicare System Requirements

C. Interfaces: None

D. Contractor Financial Reporting/Workload Impact: None

E. Dependencies: None

F. Testing Considerations: None

IV. SCHEDULE, CONTACTS, AND FUNDING

<p>Effective Date: February 1, 2004</p> <p>Implementation Date: February 1, 2004</p> <p>Pre-Implementation Contact(s): Sumita Sen, ssen@cms.hhs.gov 410-786-5755</p> <p>Post-Implementation Contact(s): Sumita Sen, ssen@cms.hhs.gov 410-786-5755</p>	<p>These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.</p>
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