
Program Memorandum Intermediaries/Carriers

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SUBJECT: Expand Standard Date Format and Remove CWF (Common Working File) Y2K Wrapper Logic for Fiscal Intermediary Claims/Trailers and Carrier/DMERC Trailers – Incoming and Response Transactions

Background

Windowing (wrapper) logic surrounds dates processed in the CWF system. It determines the century for internal processing, but does not add or save the century on the date year fields. All external dates used as input to CWF include the century. Bridge programs at CWF's front-end strip the century FROM dates before going into CWF, and a bridge program on the back end adds the century to dates before being returned to the sender. The wrapper logic allowed CWF to be Y2K-compatible, but not Y2K-compliant.

This change modifies the CWF system by including the century on all process dates, dates in working storage, and dates used in CICS inquiries. These dates will all have the common signed packed Julian format of "CCYYDDD" (PIC S9(7) COMP-3). Multiple one-time utilities will be created to convert internal system dates to the common date format and the CWF system will be modified to process all dates in this format.

A phased implementation approach is being used with portions of the system being upgraded in a series of quarterly releases. This change will modify CWF to accept the Inpatient (HUIP), Outpatient (HUOP), Home Health (HUHH), and Hospice (HUHC) claim records in the new, standardized date format (CCYYDDD). CWF will modify the incoming bridge program to not strip the century from dates for these transactions, to remove the wrapper logic, and to modify the outgoing bridge programs to prevent the response files from being reformatted incorrectly.

In addition to the claim transactions listed above, certain trailers will be modified to use the "CCYYDDD" standard date format throughout. Fiscal Intermediaries, Carriers and DMERCs will be impacted by this change regarding the trailers listed below respectively. Also impacted, are the response records, the unformatted provider inquiry (HUQA), and the claim overflow area.

HUIP, HUOP, HUHH, HUHC

CABEHUOP
CABEHUIP
CABEHUIN
CABEHUON

Response Records

CABESATR
CABESA2R

CABEHUQA – unformatted provider inquiry
CABETLIN – claim overflow

Trailers – Inpatient/Outpatient

02 CUTELX02
 04 CUTELX04
 05 CUTELX05
 06 CUTE2R06
 06 CUTELR06
 07 CUTELO07
 09 CUTELB09
 09 CUTELI09
 13 CUTE2R13
 14 CUTELI14
 15 CUTE2I15 (Auto Adjust Prior Claim)
 16 CUTELX16 (Home Health)
 18 CUTELX18
 19 CUTELB19
 20 CUTE2R20
 22 CUTRLX22
 23 CUTELX23
 26 CUTE2B26
 28 CUTE2B28
 28 CUTE2R28

Trailers – Carrier/DMERC

02 CUTELX02
 04 CUTELX04
 05 CUTELX05
 06 CUTE2R06
 06 CUTELR06 (Changes to redefines)
 07 CUTELO07
 09 CUTELB09 (Part B Entitlement)
 09 CUTELI09
 18 CUTELX18
 19 CUTELB19
 23 CUTELX23
 26 CUTE2B26
 28 CUTE2B28
 28 CUTE2R28

Source/Justification: This is a critical part of the CWF Y2K Wrapper Logic Removal and Date Expansion and Standardization Baseline System Improvement Project.

Related CR Numbers: 1774, 1915 AND CWF CR 21042

The *effective date* for this Program Memorandum (PM) is October 1, 2002.

The *implementation date* for this PM is October 1, 2002.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after: October 31, 2003

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