
Program Memorandum Intermediaries/Carriers

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SUBJECT: Establishment of Contractor Numbers for Program Safeguard Contractors (PSCs)

This Program Memorandum (PM) establishes a series of specific contractor numbers to be used by PSCs. This will allow them to properly report workload data and to secure appropriate access to various HCFA legacy systems and other HCFA data systems. At this time, however, the numbers are being added for HCFA internal reports only and will not impact the standard claims processing systems. PSC standard systems requirements will be addressed in a separate Change Request.

The Medicare Integrity Program provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 allow HCFA to contract with entities other than Medicare carriers and Fiscal Intermediaries (FI) to perform specific program safeguard functions. Under this authority, HCFA has awarded contracts to 12 prime PSCs. The "umbrella" PSC Statement of Work, under which all PSC task orders are issued, contains various workload reporting and systems requirements that PSCs must adhere to. These requirements involve the Medicare carrier and FI standard claims processing systems as well as systems such as the Common Working File, the Contractor Reporting of Operational and Workload Data System, and the Contractor Administrative Budget and Financial Management System. Therefore, a series of numbers starting with 77001 have been assigned for use by PSCs. The specific numbers assigned to each of the 12 current PSCs are noted below:

- o 77001 - Aspen Systems Corporation, Inc.
- o 77002 - Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama
- o 77003 - Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC)
- o 77004 - California Medical Review, Inc. (CMRI)
- o 77005 - DynCorp.
- o 77006 - Electronic Data Systems Corp. (EDS)
- o 77007 - Lifecare Management Partners, Inc.
- o 77008 - Mutual of Omaha
- o 77009 - Reliance Safeguard Solutions
- o 77010 - Science Applications Intl. Corp. (SAIC)
- o 77011 - TriCenturion, L.L.C.
- o 77012 - United Government Services (UGS)

The *effective date* for this PM is September 1, 2000.

The *implementation date* for this PM is September 1, 2000.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after September 1, 2001.

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