SUBJECT: Sending of HUSC files from Common Working File (CWF) to Recovery Management and Accounting System (ReMAS)

Background of ReMAS

ReMAS is a system that will identify mistaken Medicare primary payments in the case where Medicare should have paid secondary. In some instances other insurance is available to pay for furnished services and Medicare payment is secondary to the payment obligation of the other insurance. Medicare does not generally make a primary payment if it should be the secondary payer, and it is aware that the insurance obligated to pay before Medicare is available. If Medicare makes a mistaken primary payment in such a situation, Medicare pursues recovery of the mistaken primary payment from an appropriate party. ReMAS will identify these mistaken payments so that recovery can be initiated from the party that should have paid primary. ReMAS will be replacing several contractor systems, as well as CMS systems in order to integrate the identification of mistaken MSP overpayments into a centralized database. ReMAS will be depending on an interface with CWF to receive notification of beneficiaries that had insurance coverage primary to Medicare. A separate, future program memorandum will explain how and when Medicare Contractors will use ReMAS.

Purpose, Frequency and File Description of CWF Interface with ReMAS

In order for ReMAS to receive notice of MSP situations, it will need to receive HUSC records from each CWF host on a daily basis. All CWF hosts will need to transmit HUSC records to ReMAS for every HUSP record that gets accepted in CWF. CWF will send these records to ReMAS using contractor number 11200. All files from each CWF host should be sent to the CMS Data Center through the CMS mainframe telecommunication information system (MTIS) process, to a data set name that will be defined at a later date.

Data Feeds

Initial Data Feed: ReMAS will provide an Initial Data Feed Date to CWF. CWF will send any MSP occurrence (MSP Type Values 'A'= Working aged; 'B'= ESRD; 'D'= Automobile Insurance, No-Fault; 'E'= Workers' Compensation; 'G'= Disabled; 'L'= Liability) that was added to CWF since the Initial Data Feed Date.

Ongoing Data Feeds: CWF will send any valid new MSP occurrence (MSP Type A, B, D, E, G, or L). CWF will send any updates to any valid MSP occurrence (MSP Type A, B, D, E, G, or L). CWF will send any deletes of any valid MSP occurrences (MSP Type A, B, D, E, G, or L).

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

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

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after July 1, 2003.

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