Program Memorandum Carriers

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Changes to Correct Coding Edits, Version 9.2, Effective July 1, 2003 **SUBJECT:**

The latest package of Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) edits, Version 9.2, effective July 1, 2003, will be available via the CMS Data Center (CDC). A test file will be available on or about May 1, 2003, and the final file will be available on or about May 16, 2003.

Version 9.2 will include all previous versions and updates from January 1, 1996, to the present and will be organized in two tables: Comprehensive/Component Edits and Mutually Exclusive Code (MEC) Edits.

The regional office correct coding initiative representatives can access the files from the CDC in the same manner they download the previous versions. The filenames for the regions are:

Test File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.MEEDITS.TEST01.V92 MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.CMPEDITS.TEST01.V92

Final File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.MEEDITS.FINAL01.V92 MU00.@BF12372.CCIALL.CMPEDITS.FINAL01.V92

The carriers will need to use specific job control language in order to access Version 9.2 through the Network Data Mover. The filenames for the carriers are:

Test File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.MEEDITS.TEST01.V92 MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.CMPEDITS.TEST01.V92

Final File:

MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.MEEDITS.FINAL01.V92 MU00.@BF12372.CCINDM.CMPEDITS.FINAL01.V92 The CCI and MEC files will maintain the file formats contained in Medicare Carriers Manual, Part 3, §4630.M. The CCI adds, deletes, and modifier indicator change lists will be forthcoming via electronic mail on or about May 23, 2003.

Due to Current Procedure Terminology copyrights, immediate corrections, if any, will be included in one of the above notifications.

Carriers need not search their files to either retract payment or to retroactively pay claims. However, carriers should adjust claims if they are brought to their attention.

The effective date for this Program Memorandum (PM) is July 1, 2003.

The implementation date for this PM is July 1, 2003.

These instructions should be implemented within your current operating budget.

This PM may be discarded after July 1, 2004.

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