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Medicare Jurisdiction E Implementation

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Welcome / Corporate Experience

- Noridian is a wholly owned subsidiary of Noridian Mutual Insurance Company (dba, Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota) headquartered in Fargo ND
- Jurisdiction F contractor for 10 western states
- DME JD MAC 17 western states, including JE states (CA, NV and HI)
- Medicaid and Health Insurance Exchange contractor
- Multiple A/B Medicare implementations



Medicare Contracting Reform

- In April 2006, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) began to award Medicare claims processing contracts (A/B MAC contracts) through competitive procedures
- Originally 15 jurisdictions in the country and California part of Jurisdiction 1 (Palmetto awarded)
- Consolidated to 10 jurisdictions and now California part of Jurisdiction E (Noridian awarded)



Jurisdiction E - Parts A and B





Goals of JE Implementation

- Minimal disruption to providers
- Ensure no lapse in provider payment
- Communicate with those impacted
- Retain continuity of policies at cutover
 - e.g. Local Coverage Decisions, Claims Editing



Implementation Dates

Activity	Date
Award	September 2012
GAO Protest Resolved	January 2013
Association Meetings	January/February 2013
Kickoff	March 2013
Preparation/Education	March-August 2013
Part A Cutover	August 26, 2013
Part B Cutover	September 16, 2013



What's New/Changing

- Single 1-800 for all inquiries
- New IVR, website and provider portal
- New PO Boxes
- EDI submission
- All pending work, paper or electronic, will be transferred to Noridian



Information Sources

- Website/Listserv : www.noridianmedicare.com/JE
- Contact provider organizations
- Meet and Greet meetings with providers
- → Mailings to providers
- Web based provider workshops/ACTs



Outreach

- Webinars six introductory sessions per week starting in May
- Listserv subscribers transferred from Palmetto
- Mailings introductory letter and EDI letter
- Associations work with established meetings, ongoing relationship



Key Website Items

- EDI focus on vendors and direct submitters
- Contact Information
 - phone numbers and mailing addresses
- Current news and relevant changes
- Provider Portal
- IVR
- Schedule of Events
- Cutover dates
- Payment cycles
- FAQs



EDI Transition Philosophy

- Minimal provider disruption
- Level playing field from MAC to MAC due to 5010 effort and CMS Common Edit Module (CEM)
- Identify target EDI audiences
 - Providers (direct and non-direct)
 - Vendors



EDI Provider/Vendor Testing Process

- Testing is not required but is available and encouraged
- Noridian to use Palmetto's EDI Submitter values
- Establishing vendor relationships and individual test plans



EDI Outreach

- Utilize existing Noridian education tools
- Vendor team created for 1-on-1 vendor outreach and transition activities
- EDI Specific Web Based Provider Workshops
- Face-to-face visits to key vendors and providers

Provider Portal - Endeavor

- A secure provider internet web site
 - Claim status
 - Verify eligibility
 - Appeals, Reopening status
 - Review a single claim remittance advice
- Hours available
 - Monday- Friday: 6am-8pm (central time)
 - Saturday: 7am-3pm (central time)



IVR

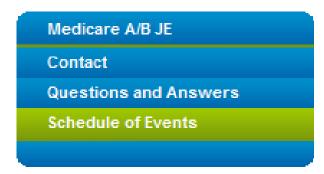
 Specific IVR features Noridian will have available upon implementation include:

Part A	Part B
Provide Authentication	Provide Authentication
 Eligibility (Entitlement, MSP, Managed Care, HMO, Preventive Services, Deductible, other) 	 Eligibility (Entitlement, MSP, Managed Care, HMO, Preventive Services, Deductible, other)
Claim Status	Claim Status
Payment Information	Payment Information (Last 3 Checks,
Appeal Status	Payment Floor, Fee Schedule Reimbursement)
Patient Status	Appeal Status
Request Duplicate Remittance Advice	Request Duplicate Remittance Advice
 General Information (Address, Remittance Advice Codes, Hours of Operation) 	General Information (Address, Remittance Advice Codes, Hours of Operation)



Schedule of Events

- Schedule of events are listed by month
 - May 2013
 - Implementation 101 webinars
 - Ask The Contractor teleconference calls





Thank You

We look forward to working with providers and medical associations to have a smooth implementation.

Best source of information and to make inquiries is on the implementation website: www.noridianmedicare.com/JE