

New Effective Date for the Fiscal Intermediary Number Change in ALL Electronic Files

*****IMPORTANT ACTION REQUIRED*****

The transition of the Maryland & Washington, DC Medicare Part A business (including entities in other states who are supported by this contract) to Highmark Medicare Services requires a change to the Fiscal Intermediary Number that is reported in all electronic files that are sent and received. **The new Highmark Medicare Services Fiscal Intermediary Number for Maryland Medicare Part A will be 00366.** This number may also be referred to as a Contractor Number, Plan Code, or Payer ID and should be used anytime you need to provide this number after **4:15PM on Thursday, September 29, 2005.**

Effective for all electronic files received after 4:15PM on Thursday, September 29, 2005, your electronic files must reflect the new Fiscal Intermediary Number in the locations identified below. If any electronic files are received after 4:15PM on Thursday, September 29, 2005, with a Fiscal Intermediary Number other than 00366, your file will be rejected and you will need to correct the Number and resubmit the file. (NOTE: This is a change to the original cutoff date previously announced.)

The Fiscal Intermediary Number will need to be changed in all of the following locations for ANSI ASC X12N transactions:

| <u>Transaction</u> | <u>Locations</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 837 (Inbound Claims) | ISA08, GS03, 1000B/NM109 |
| 276 (Claim Status Inquiry) | ISA08, GS03, 2100A/NM109 |

Additionally, the new Fiscal Intermediary Number will also be reported in the following outbound transaction and/or reports that we generate for you.

| <u>Transaction</u> | <u>Locations</u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 837 (Outbound COB) | ISA06, GS02, 1000A/NM109 |
| 997 (Functional Acknowledgement) | ISA06, GS02 |
| 835 (Electronic Remittance Advice) | ISA06, GS02, 1000A/REF02 |
| 277 (Claim Status Response) | ISA06, GS02, 2100A/NM109 |

This change is effective for all electronic files received after 4:15PM on Thursday, September 29, 2005. If any electronic files are received after the official cutoff time on Thursday, September 29, 2005, with a Fiscal Intermediary Number other than 00366, your



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file will be rejected and you will need to correct the Number and resubmit the file. If you are not sure how to make these changes, please contact your software vendor for assistance.

IMPORTANT: The new Fiscal Intermediary Number 00366 replaces the old number of 00190. Do not begin reporting the new Fiscal Intermediary Number prior to 4:15PM on Thursday, September 29, 2005, or it will cause your claims to reject. The new Fiscal Intermediary Number should only be used after 4:15PM on Thursday, September 29, 2005.

ATTENTION PC-ACE USERS

The Fiscal Intermediary Number will need to be changed on the Payer Screen and the Provider Screen. Please follow the below steps:

1. Access the Reference File Maintenance by clicking on the yellow folder icon.
2. Sign in.
3. Click on the Payer tab.
4. Find the Medicare Part A Payer ID (00190 will be listed).
5. Click the view/update button.
6. Delete 00190 from the Payer ID and the Receiver ID fields.
7. Type 00366 in both the Payer ID and the Receiver ID fields.
8. Save changes.
9. Close the Payer Information screen.
10. Click on the Provider tab.
11. Delete 00190 from the Payer ID field.
12. Type 00366 in the Payer ID field.
13. Save change.
14. Repeat steps 11-13 for all providers.