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Dear WMS/CNS Coordinator, Medicaid Director:

WMS/CNS letter of February 28, 2005 which provided local districts with an explanation of WMS/CNS enhancements which became operational on the Production System on March 21, 2005, should have included a reference to Attachment IV, Section 4 **CNS Language Changes for 2005.1 Migration** in Attachment III, Section V NEW FIELD ON WMS SCREEN 3 "MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM INDICATOR" (MSPI) to provide the correct Reason Codes for case processing.

NEW FIELD ON WMS SCREEN 3 "MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM INDICATOR" (MSP)

A new field, "Medicare Savings Program Indicator (MSP)", has been added to Screen 3 of WMS to identify the several Medicare payment plans available from CMS. A value must be present to process Medicare Buy-In transactions.

Formerly, only QMB individuals were active WMS cases. With the implementation of eMedNY, two other groups, SLIMB's and QI1's, will also be processed as active cases on WMS using Recipient Medicaid Coverage Code (21090) 09, which has been redefined as "Medicare Savings Program Only".

1. The valid values for the MSP Indicator are:

- "P" identifies Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (QMB). QMB individuals are eligible for payment of Medicare premiums, deductibles and coinsurance.
- "L" identifies Specified Low Income Medicare Beneficiary (SLIMB). SLIMB individuals meet all of the eligibility requirements for QMB status except for income in excess of QMB levels. These individuals are eligible for premium payment only, and may not be eligible for Medicaid.
- "U" identifies Qualified Individuals (QI1) who are also eligible for payment of the Medicare premiums, but because of income, not eligible for Medicaid.

2. Edits on the MSP Indicator are as follows:

- a. The MSP Indicator is valid for Case Type MA Only (20) and MA-SSI (22)
The field will be protected against entry for individuals on all other Case Types.
- b. For Indicators "P" and "L" a Medicaid Coverage Code other than 09 may be entered.

- c. If the Indicator is “U” (QI1), the MA Coverage Code must be 09.

New Error: **1549 MSP Code U Requires MA Coverage 09**

New Error: **1550 MA Coverage 09 requires MSPI, P, L, U**

- d. If the MSP is “U”, the Authorization and MA Coverage “To” Date must equal 12/31/49, since these individuals are renewed by a DOH mail out. If the Authorization and MA Coverage To Dates are other than 12/31/49, 12/31/49 will be system generated and a Warning produced.

New Warning Message **1921 “Auth To and MA To Date Generated to 12/31/49”**

3. Reports

A “Buy-In Update Report” will be sent to LDSS for those new “L” or “U” cases since the last billing file.

New Reason Codes for QI-1: C28, E81, U80, X70 and Deletion of a Reason Code for QI-1: U82

Opening

Reason Code	Paragraph Number	Description
*C28	Y0006	Accept Qualified Individual (QI-1)

Denial

Reason Code	Paragraph Number	Description
U80	D0072	Deny Qualified Individual (QI-1) Excess Income

Discontinuances

Reason Code	Paragraph Number	Description
*E81	C0101	Discontinue QI-1, Annual Fund Exhausted
X70	C0102	Discontinue QI-1, Excess Income

Reason Code to be deleted

Reason Code	Paragraph Number	Description
U82	D0075	Accept QI-1, Medicare Part B Payment

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