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Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Mandatory Reporting Provisions Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act (MMSEA) of 2007 (See 42 U.S.C. 1395y(b)(7)&(b)(8))

Alert: Use the Funding Delayed Beyond TPOC Start Date Field

This is a reminder that if funding is delayed after the settlement date reported in Field 80: TPOC Date, in the Claim Input File Detail Record, RREs should provide the actual or estimated date of the funding determination in Field 82: Funding Delayed Beyond TPOC Start Date.

Some RREs are failing to indicate a Funding Delayed Beyond TPOC Start Date when funds have not yet been released. This has resulted in CMS recovery demands being sent based upon the receipt of a TPOC date and TPOC amount before the funds for the settlement have been received by the beneficiary.

As soon as CMS receives a report of a TPOC Date and corresponding TPOC Amount, CMS begins its recovery process to collect Medicare claims conditionally paid that are covered by the TPOC. The Funding Delayed Beyond TPOC Start Date is used to delay the recovery process so as not to negatively impact the beneficiary prior to receipt of the settlement proceeds.

In addition, the Funding Delayed Beyond TPOC Start Date is used to ensure an RRE is not found non-compliant with the Section 111 timeliness reporting requirements when a settlement has been made, but the final payment amount has not yet been determined or dispersed.