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RECOVERY AUDIT CONTRACTOR (RAC) REGION 2



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SCOPE OF RAC REGIONS



REGION 2 CONTRACT TRANSITION

- On March 24, 2022, CMS awarded Performant Recovery, Inc., the new Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) Region 2 contract.
- RAC Region 2 includes the following Medicare Administrative Contractor (MAC) jurisdictions: J5(WPS), J6(NGS), and JH (NOVITAS).
- Cotiviti, LLC, the RAC previously responsible for reviews in Region 2, remains under contract with CMS to support the RAC Program from an administrative and appeals perspective in this region. Please contact Cotiviti in regards to reviews conducted by Cotiviti. All notification of improper payments, including review results letters (complex reviews), informational letters (automated reviews) and no findings letters (complex reviews) were **completed by Cotiviti, in Region 2, on or before Friday, September 16, 2022.**
- Performant anticipates to begin reviews in the Spring (2023). RAC Region 2 providers can rely on the review completion date specified in the review results letter, as well as the RAC's name on the letter, to identify which contractor to reach for inquiries.
- If Performant receives inquiries in regards to reviews conducted by Cotiviti, Performant customer service will inform providers to reach out to Cotiviti (1-866-360-2507) and vice versa.



RECOVERY AUDIT CONTRACTORS (RACs)

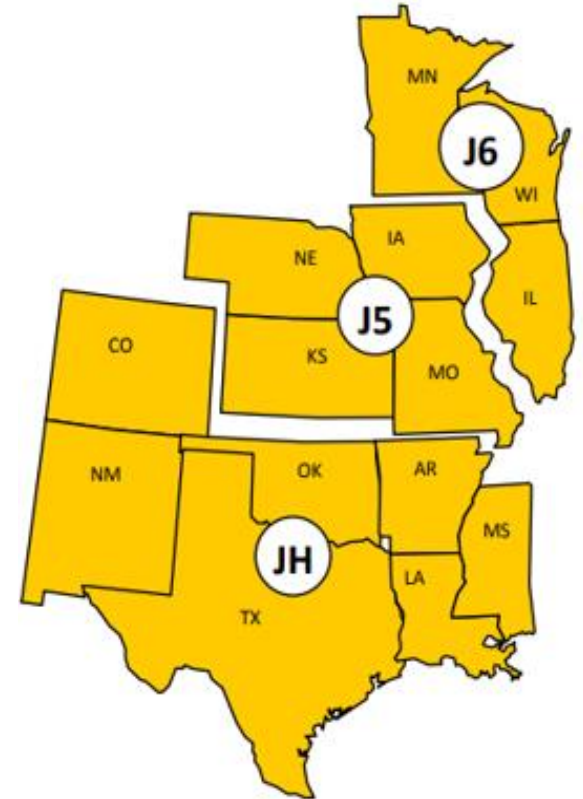
Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) RACs





REGION 2: STATES & MAC JURISDICTIONS

- Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois
 - J6 NGS MAC jurisdiction
- Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri
 - J5 WPS MAC jurisdiction
- Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi
 - JH Novitas MAC jurisdiction





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1976
founded

1,200
employees

Medicare RAC
Region 1 (NE & MW)—Parts A & B and Region 5 (National)—
DMEPOS, home health, hospice



LIVERMORE, CA

- Corporate Headquarters
- IT and Data Analytics

SAN ANGELO, TX

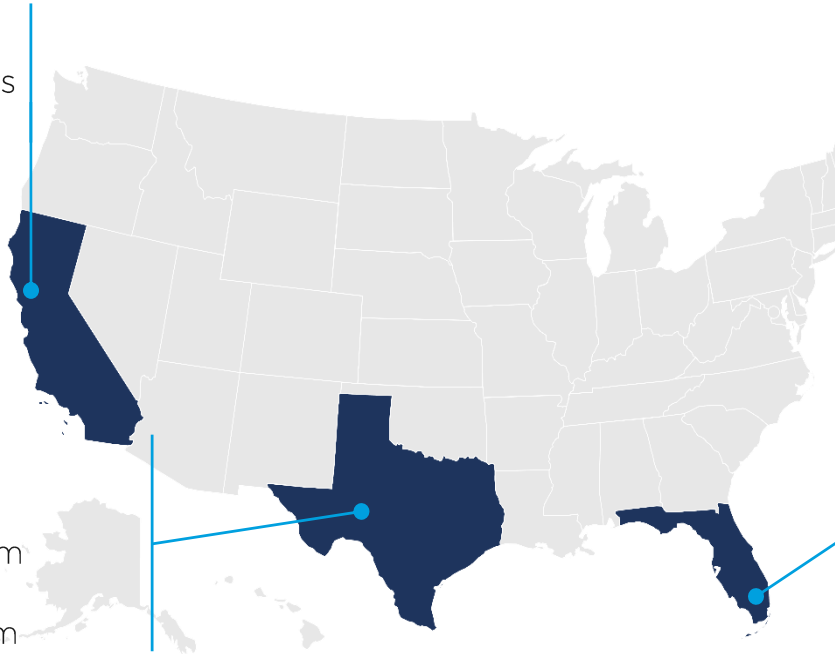
- RAC Operations Unit
 - Customer Service Team
 - Medical Records and Discussion Intake Team

REMOTE STAFF

- RAC Leadership Team
- Contractor Medical Directors
- New Issue Team
- Nurse Auditors
- Certified Coder Auditors
- Segment Specialists

SUNRISE, FL

- Data Analytics & Reporting



COMMITMENT TO INTEGRITY: OUR TEAMS



CUSTOMER SERVICE

- Average of 10 to 12 years of experience
- We are committed to being the best customer service team in the industry.
- We are here to **help**



CLINICAL AUDIT

- Mix of talent from Utilization Review, ER, CCU/ICU, Med-Surg, CM, SNF, Therapists, etc.
- All nurses are registered with active unrestricted licenses



CODING AUDIT

- Mix of talent skilled in inpatient coding and/or certified as RHIA/RHIT, CCS & CPC (some with multiple certifications), and registered nurses
- All coders have current certifications
- Average 15+ years of combined experience (range: 3 to 30 years)



PHYSICIAN TEAM

- Mix of specialties with access to multiple specialty panels
- Average 15+ years of combined experience (range: 10 to 20 years)



RECOVERY AUDIT GOALS



RAC PROGRAM MISSION

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The Medicare Fee for Service (FFS) Recovery Audit Program’s mission is to identify and correct Medicare improper payments through the efficient detection and collection of overpayments made on claims of health care services provided to Medicare beneficiaries, and the identification of underpayments to providers so that the CMS can implement actions that will prevent future improper payments in all 50 states.

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RECOVERY AUDIT GOALS

The goals of the Recovery Audit Program are to conduct reviews to ensure the right amount to a legitimate provider has been paid for correctly coded, medically necessary services, provided to an eligible beneficiary in an appropriate setting while ensuring:



TRANSPARENCY



CONSISTENCY



ACCOUNTABILITY



TRANSPARENCY: CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT



PROCESS

All audit concepts/issues require CMS approval



REFERENCES

Concepts/issues developed must include specific supporting regulatory references (i.e., NCDs, LCDs, IOM, SSA, CFR, etc.)



WEBSITE

Detailed overview of issue information available for review on both the CMS and Performant RAC websites



TRANSPARENCY: APPROVED ISSUES

This list includes all CMS-approved audit issues.

NOTE: This is only a screenshot (partial list) of CMS-approved issues, which are updated on a regular basis. Please be sure to regularly check this website for updates. The website also allows you to download approved issues and details into an Excel file.

DOWNLOAD .XLS FILE

Show All Regions

ISSUE NAME	ISSUE NUMBER	REVIEW TYPE	PROVIDER TYPE	REGION	STATE	DATE APPROVED	DETAILS
Total Knee Arthroplasty: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	_0185	Complex	Inpatient Hospital (IP), Outpatient Hospital (OP), Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC), Professional Services (PNPP)	Region-1 Region-2	All Region 1 and Region 2 states	8/16/2020	details
Duplex Scans of Extracranial Arteries: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements	_0186	Complex	Outpatient	Region-1 Region-2	All Region 1 and Region 2 states	8/16/2020	details

TOTAL KNEE ARTHROPLASTY: MEDICAL NECESSITY AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

ISSUE NAME: Total Knee Arthroplasty: Medical Necessity and Documentation Requirements
ISSUE NUMBER: _0185
REVIEW TYPE: Complex
PROVIDER TYPE: Inpatient Hospital, Outpatient Hospital, Ambulatory Surgical Center, Professional Services
REGION: Region-1
STATE: 1 - All Region 1 states
DATE APPROVED: 8/16/2020
DATES SERVICE: Claims that have a "claim paid date" which is less than 3 years prior to the ADR letter date.
DESCRIPTION: For purposes of coverage under Medicare, Total Knee Arthroplasty (TKA), also referred to as a joint replacement, has proven to be an important medical advancement. Knee Arthroplasty is most commonly performed for diseases which affect the function of the knee joint (the lower end of the femur, the upper end of the tibia and patella). Occasionally, there may be a need to redo a TKA, often referred to as a revision total knee. In revisional surgery it is important to provide replacement of the components of the previous surgery responsible for the failure. The goal of total knee replacement surgery is to relieve pain and improve or increase functional activity of the beneficiary. This review only focuses on total (involving the entire joint) knee arthroplasties. The documentation will be reviewed to determine if a TKA is medically necessary according to the guidelines outlined in the LCDs and LCAs of FCSO, Novitas, NGS, Palmetto, and Noridian. Affected codes: CPT 27445, 27447, 27486, 27487
 PCS Codes (PCSO ONLY) - 05PC03Z, 05PD03Z, 05RC069, 05RC06A, 05RC06Z, 05RC07Z, 05RC0EZ, 05RC039, 05RC03A, 05RC03Z, 05RC049, 05RC04A, 05RC04Z, 05RC059, 05RC05A, 05RC05Z, 05RD06Z, 05RD069, 05RD06A, 05RD06Z, 05RD07Z, 05RD079, 05RD07A, 05RD07Z, 05RD08Z, 05RD089, 05RD08A, 05RD08Z, 05RT039, 05RT03A, 05RT03Z, 05RT04Z, 05RT049, 05RT04A, 05RT04Z, 05RV039, 05RV03A, 05RV03Z, 05RV04Z, 05RV049, 05RV04A, 05RV04Z, 05RV059, 05RV05A, 05RV05Z, 05W033Z, 05W033Z, 05W034Z, 05W034Z, 05W035Z, 05W035Z, 05W036Z, 05W036Z
REFERENCES: 1. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1862(a)(1)(A)- Exclusions from Coverage and Medicare as a Secondary Payer
 2. SSA, Title XVIII- Health Insurance for the Aged and Disabled, Section 1833(e)- Payment of Benefits
 3. 42 CFR §405.929- Post-Payment Review
 4. 42 CFR §405.930- Failure to Respond to Additional Documentation Request
 5. 42 CFR §405.980- Reopening of Initial Determinations, Redeterminations, Reconsiderations, Decisions,

Please see Performant's website for a current list of approved issues (<https://performantrac.com/audit-issues>).



CONSISTENCY: IN AUDIT

- All RACs have established:
 - Same CMS-approved concepts
 - Guidelines set by Medicare rules and regulations, LCDs, NCDs, IOMs, SSA, CFR, etc.
 - ADR limitation rules
 - Look-back period rules
 - Timeframes for discussion and review





ACCOUNTABILITY: IN AUDIT

<10%

Minimum overturn rate RACs must maintain at the first level of appeal.

95%

Minimum audit accuracy rate RACs must maintain; failure to do so results in a progressive reduction in ADR limits.



RAC REVIEW TYPES

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AUTOMATED

- Does not require review of medical record documentation for claim determination
- Claims are selected using systematic edit parameters based on Medicare regulations/policies and billing guidelines
- RAC issues Informational/Initial Findings Letter (IFL) to the provider as notification of improper payment
- Provider has 30 calendar days from the IFL date to file a Discussion Request with the RAC if they disagree with the finding
- Claims may be submitted to MAC for adjustment on day 31 or after the Discussion review is finalized.



COMPLEX

- Requires medical record documentation to be reviewed for claim determination.
- Claims are selected using systematic edit parameters based on Medicare regulations/policies and billing guidelines.
- ADR letters are sent in accordance with CMS Approved Provider ADR Limits
- RAC issues ADR letter to provider requesting records
- Provider furnishes documentation to RAC
- Clinical and/or coding review completed within 30 calendar days of receipt of provider's documentation
- Provider has 30 calendar days from the Review Results Letter date to submit a Discussion Request with the RAC
- Claim may be submitted to MAC for adjustment on day 31



CMS-REQUIRED

- RAC is **required by CMS** to perform provider specific reviews on approved issues that CMS has referred to them
- Not subject to and/or counted towards CMS approved provider ADR Limits
- RAC issues ADR letter to provider
- Provider to furnish documentation to RAC
- Clinical review completed within 30 calendar days of receipt of provider's documentation
- Provider has 30 calendar days from the Review Results Letter date to submit a Discussion Request with the RAC
- Claim may be submitted to MAC for adjustment on day 31

Note: Call Customer Service if additional days to submit requested records and/or to submit a Discussion are needed





ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS



ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS

- Facility/Provider/Supplier name and address
- NPI
- Letter Request ID
- Letter Request type and purpose



Region [Region #] Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC)

Date [Request Date]

[Facility Point of Contact]
[Physician Practice Name]
[Street Address Line 1]
[Street Address Line 2]
[City, State ZIP]

NPI:
PTAN:
Phone:
Fax:
Letter Request ID:
Batch ID:

Request Type & Purpose: Additional Documentation Required and Request for Medical Records

Dear Medicare Provider/Supplier,



ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS

- Upon establishing good cause, the RAC may reopen and revise the initial determination or redetermination made on a claim within 4 years from the date of the initial determination or redetermination.
- Good cause for reopening a claim may include but is not limited to OIG report findings, data analysis findings, comparative billing analysis, etc.
- The RAC may request records every 45 days at a minimum and must not exceed the established ADR Limits.

Request Type & Purpose: Additional Documentation Required and Request for Medical Records

Dear Medicare Provider/Supplier,

In accordance with §§ 1874A(h)(4) and 1893(h)(1) and (3) of the Social Security Act, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has retained Performant Recovery, Inc. (Performant) as the Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) to carry out the Recovery Audit Program in your region. The RAC may reopen and revise the initial determination or redetermination made on a claim within 4 years from the date of the initial determination or redetermination upon establishing good cause. Good cause may be established when there is new and material evidence that was not available or known at the time of the determination or decision; and may result in a different conclusion; or the evidence that was considered in making the determination or decision clearly shows on its face that an obvious error was made at the time of the determination or decision. Good cause for reopening a claim may include but is not limited to OIG report findings, data analysis findings, comparative billing analysis, etc. Reopenings of initial claim determinations by Medicare contractors are addressed in the following Medicare legal and regulatory documents: Social Security Act (SSA), §§ [1869\(b\)\(1\)\(G\)](#) and [1893\(f\)\(7\)](#), [42 CFR 405.926](#), [42 CFR 405.980](#), [42 CFR 405.982](#), [42 CFR 405.984](#), [42 CFR 405.986](#), the [Medicare Claims Processing Manual, CMS Pub. 100-04, Chapter 34, Sections 10.6.1 and 10.11](#), and [Medicare Program Integrity Manual, CMS Pub 100-08, Chapter 3, Section 3.5.1](#).



ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS

- Supporting reference links and ADR limit links

CMS RAC website link: <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicare-FFS-Compliance-Programs/Recovery-Audit-Program>

Performant RAC website link: <https://performantrac.com/solutions/healthcare/cms-rac-resources/cms-rac-provider-resources/default.aspx>

CMS has established a new maximum number of medical records that can be requested from a provider per 45 day period. CMS reserves the right to establish a different record limit when directing the Recovery Auditors to conduct reviews of specific topics or providers.

Please consult the following CMS links regarding ADR limit determinations based on provider types:

Additional Documentation Limits for Institutional Providers

<https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicare-FFS-Compliance-Programs/Recovery-Audit-Program/Downloads/ADR-Limits-Institutional-Provider.pdf>

Additional Documentation Limits for Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Suppliers

<https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicare-FFS-Compliance-Programs/Recovery-Audit-Program/Downloads/April-2013-Supplier-ADR-Limit-Update2.pdf>

Physician/Non-Physician Practitioner Additional Documentation Limits

<https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Monitoring-Programs/Medicare-FFS-Compliance-Programs/Recovery-Audit-Program/Downloads/PhyADR.pdf>



ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS

- Individualized ADR Limits
- Reason for Selection

The maximum number of medical records that may be requested with the exception of CMS-Required Reviews, from you per 45 days is:

Bill Type	ADR Limit	Bill Type	ADR Limit	Bill Type	ADR Limit	Bill Type	ADR Limit	Bill Type	ADR Limit	Bill Type	ADR Limit
11X	2	12X	0	13X	1	14X	7	15X	0	16X	5
17X	16	18X	0	19X	18	20X	1	21X	9	22X	10
23X	0										

(or)

Bill Type	ADR Limit	Bill Type	ADR Limit	Bill Type	ADR Limit
11X	10	PHYS	8	DME	3

Note: these above are two different samples of the table that will hold the data

Reason for Selection:

Your RAC, Performant, is requesting additional documentation for the selected list of claims as part of a post-payment, complex review approved by CMS. Details regarding the issue(s) identified are listed in the Requested Claims attachment. As a reminder, the RAC may reopen



ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS

- Specifies when the records are due by
- States consequence for not complying by due date or extension date

Action: Additional Documentation

Federal law requires that providers/suppliers submit medical record documentation to support claims for Medicare services upon request. Providers/Suppliers are required to send supporting medical records to Performant. **Please note that providing medical records of Medicare patients to Performant does not violate the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).** Patient authorization is not required to respond to this request.

An extension for the submission of additional documentation may be requested by contacting Performant's Customer Service via email or phone.

When: **mm/dd/yyyy**

Please provide the requested documentation or contact Performant to request an extension by **mm/dd/yyyy**. A response is still required by **mm/dd/yyyy** even if you are unable to locate the

Consequences:

An improper payment (overpayment) will be determined in instances where the provider/supplier fails to send the requested documentation or contact Performant to request an extension by **mm/dd/yyyy**. After the claim determination has been made, providers/suppliers will receive a Review Results Letter. Providers/Suppliers who wish to discuss the determination may request to



ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS

- Instructions on how to properly submit records
- The next pages cover each method of submission in detail

Instructions:

Performant accepts documents via paper, fax, CD/DVD, and electronic submission of medical documentation (esMD).

1. The documentation submitted for this review must be a copy. Do not submit original documentation.
2. A copy of this Additional Documentation Request (ADR) letter and attached barcode page should be affixed to the documentation. **Please bundle documents for each claim separately, with the barcode page on top.** This method allows us to confirm receipt of all requested documents.
3. Please be sure all documentation is **legible**.
4. **All Blank pages should be OMITTED** (Note: Provider will not be reimbursed for blank pages)
5. Make sure records are free of staples, paperclips, or holes of any kind.
6. Records must be copied on **one side only**.
7. The image file name **MUST** be "provider NPI-Claim number". For example, if the claim number **123456** is requested and the provider NPI was **654321**, the filename would be **654321-123456.pdf** or **654321-123456.tiff**
8. Multiple charts can be sent on one CD/DVD but each chart request must be a separate PDF/TIFF file.
9. Providers/suppliers are responsible for obtaining supporting documentation from third parties (hospitals, nursing homes, suppliers, etc.).
10. Refer to the 'Supporting Documentation' attachment for a list of required supporting documentation to be submitted.
11. Please do not include Powers of Attorney, Living Wills, Correspondence, or Prior Episodes of Care.
12. Should you choose to have Performant send all future correspondence to a different address than what was used for this letter, please go to Performant's website, and update the address on file. To customize your address and/or contacts please go to <https://www.performantrac.com/>. Select the [Click Here](#) button on the right side of the home page and an address customization form is available to you 24/7.

Submission Methods:



ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS

- The final pages list the beneficiary claims requested, what records should be included to support the review, and the barcode sheets for record separation when submitting records.

The patient's medical record must contain sufficient documentation of the patient's medical condition to substantiate the necessity for the type and quantity of items ordered and for the frequency of use or replacement (if applicable). This information must be available upon request.

Beneficiary Information	Medical Record / Patient Control / Claim #	Dates of Service Case #
Name: [Name]	MR# [MR#]	Fm: [FM]
DOB: [DOB]	Control# [Control #]	To: [TO]
HIC/MBI: [HIC or MBI]	Claim# [Claim #]	Case #: [Case#]
Amount: [Amount]		
Name: Doe, Jane	MR# XYZ1234567	Fm: 4/7/2008
DOB: 11/11/1932	Control# XZ1234567JW	To: 4/7/2008
HIC/MBI: 1234567891A	Claim# 401122334455	Case #: 900045677777
Amount: [Amount]		
Name: Rodriquez, Jesus	MR# NNN1234567	Fm: 6/6/2008
DOB: 11/11/1933	Control# YZ1234567FF	To: 6/6/2008
HIC/MBI: 1234567892A	Claim# 309988776655	Case #: 900054683245
Amount: [Amount]		

Please submit all applicable documentation that supports justification of payment of claims corresponding to claim date(s) of service included in this request, including but not limited to the following components of the beneficiary's medical record:

Sample list:

- Ambulance records
- Discharge summary
- Nursing documentation
- Physician notes
- Operative / procedure report
- This is not an inclusive list. All pertinent information must be considered



RECORD SUBMISSIONS






MEDICAL RECORD SUBMISSIONS

- Requested documentation can be submitted via:
 - esMD – preferred method
 - Postal mail as either
 - Images on CD/DVD or
 - Paper copies
 - Fax
- The records should be submitted by the date designated in the ADR letter.
 - If for any reason, extra time is needed to gather and submit records, it is imperative to call Customer Service at 1-866-201-0580 and request a short extension.



MEDICAL RECORD SUBMISSION PROCESS

1. In the example to the right there are 3 distinct record requests. Copy the Bar Code Sheet(s) as the first page for each corresponding set of documents.
2. Place a check mark in the box to associate which claim # the corresponding set of documents is for. Records for each claim should be a **separate and distinct bundle**.
3. Large record sets should be mailed or submitted via esMD. If faxing, each record set per claim must be sent in a **separate fax**. Faxes are received electronically as a single PDF document. Mixed claim records in one fax can lead to errors.

Beneficiary Information	DOB & DOS	Check Box	RA Case #
Name:	DOB:	<input type="checkbox"/>	 90033321614
Claim#:	HIC:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
PT Cntrl:	DOS: 9/17/2014 - 9/23/2014		
Amount:			
Name:	DOB:	<input type="checkbox"/>	 90033319824
Claim#:	HIC:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
PT Cntrl:	DOS: 11/17/2014 - 11/25/2014		
Amount:			
Name:	DOB:	<input type="checkbox"/>	 90033322414
Claim#:	HIC:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
PT Cntrl:	DOS: 4/17/2013 - 4/19/2013		
Amount:			



MEDICAL RECORD PAYMENT

The Medicare Program Integrity Manual (PIM) Section 3.2.3.6. provides guidance to RACs on reimbursement for medical records. Performant tracks record submissions and issues a check within 45 days of record submission. There is no requirement to invoice.

Type of Record	Cost ¹
PPS Provider Record Reproduction	\$0.12 cents per page, plus first-class postage ²
Non-PPS Institution and Practitioner Record Reproduction	\$0.15 cents per page, plus first-class postage ²
esMD Submission	Above reimbursement rates per page plus a \$2.00 per transaction reimbursement in lieu of postage

¹ Providers under a Medicare reimbursement system (e.g., critical access hospitals) or DMEPOS providers receive no photocopy reimbursement.

² Maximum reimbursement to a provider per medical record if sent via esMD shall not exceed \$27 (including a \$2 transaction reimbursement) or \$15 (including first class postage) if sent any other method.



Review Result Letters



REVIEW RESULTS LETTER (RRL)

Certified Coders evaluate submitted documentation for billing and coding accuracy. Licensed Review Nurses review for medical necessity. After a review is finalized, the RAC will send a letter to the provider/supplier/facility clearly documenting the rationale for the review determination. This rationale shall include a detailed description of the Medicare policy or rule that was violated and a statement as to whether the violation resulted in an improper payment. The RAC shall ensure they are identifying pertinent facts contained in the medical record/documentation to support the review determination. Each rationale shall be specific to the individual claim under review and shall also include your right to a discussion if you disagree with the review determination.

- Sample RRL letters are available on the RAC website under the Supporting Resources section.
 - No finding letters
 - Finding letters
 - Underpayment letters

[Performant Financial - CMS RAC - CMS RAC Resources - Forms and Sample Documents \(performantrac.com\)](https://performantrac.com)



Discussions and Appeals



DISCUSSION PERIOD

PURPOSE: To allow providers the opportunity to submit additional information if they disagree with the initial review determination.

PROCESS:

You have 30-calendar days from the date of the RRL to file a Discussion (call Customer Service if an extension is needed). The RAC considers the additional information submitted, reaudits the account, and either upholds, modifies, or overturns the original decision.

BENEFIT:

If a decision is overturned during the Discussion period, the RAC will not send an adjustment to the MAC; **no further action** will be required of the provider.



DISCUSSION PERIOD (CONT.)

SUPPORTING RESOURCES

- Approved Issues
- FAQs
- Sample Documents
- Additional Document Submission Instructions
- Discussion Request Form

[Performant Financial - Welcome to Performant's New Provider Resources Section \(performantrac.com\)](http://performantrac.com)

Your Information

Provider/Supplier Name: _____
 NPI: _____
 TAX-ID: _____
 CLAIM #: _____

Type of Audit: Automated – Automated Review Initial Finding Notification Letter:
 Complex – Date of RAC Review Results Letter:

Additional Documentation Attached: Yes No

Physician-to-Physician discussion requested: Yes No

Name and credentials of the physician who will attend the call:

I do not agree with the RAC's decision for the following reason(s):

Please submit additional page(s), if necessary.

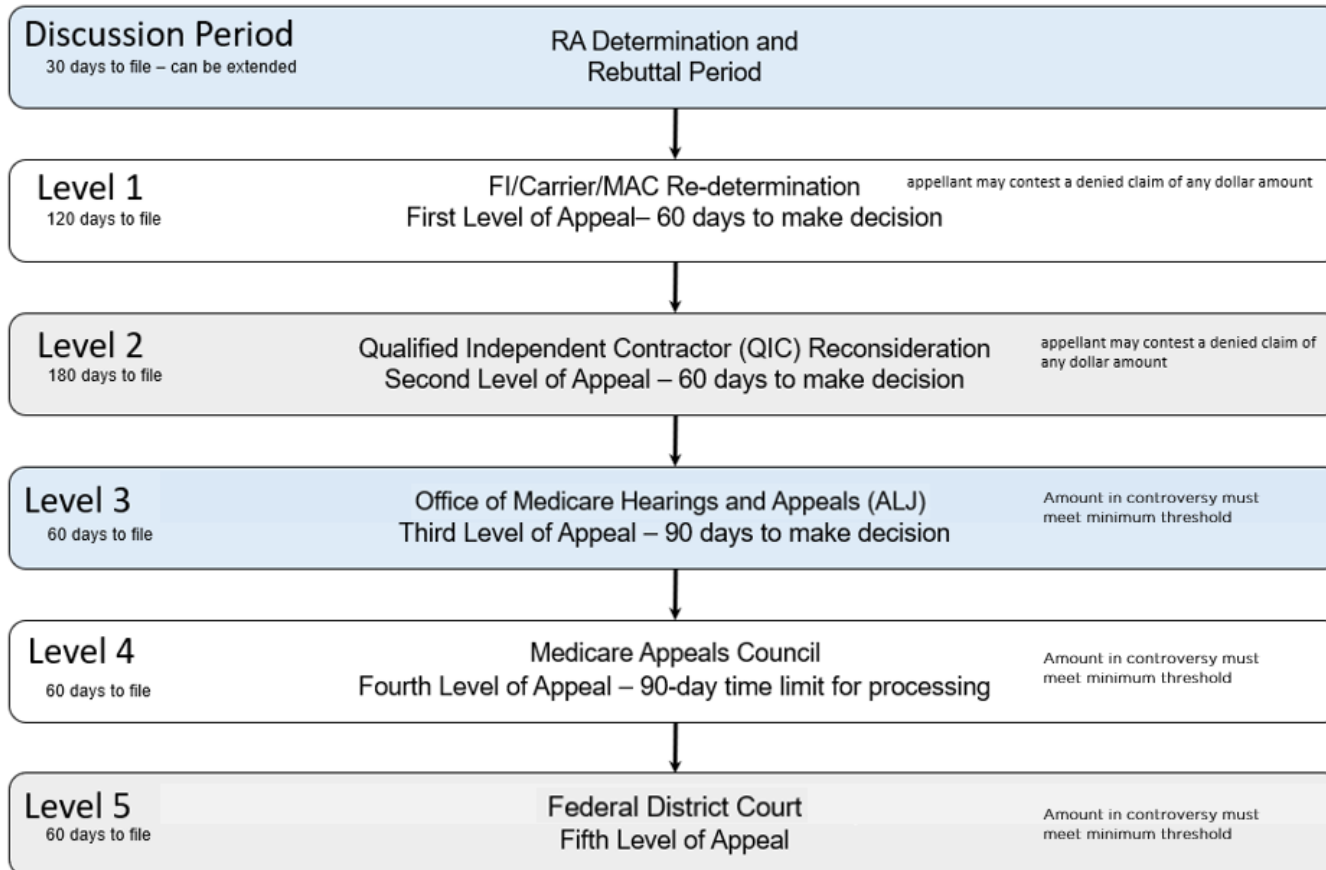
Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____



APPEAL PROCESS SEQUENCE CHART





RAC WEBSITE RESOURCES



RAC WEBSITE RESOURCES

Website Communications: <https://performantrac.com>

AVAILABLE RESOURCES

- Options to contact us
- Secure Provider Portal link
- Update your provider contact information
- Recent program updates
- Frequently asked questions (FAQs)
- Approved Issues
- Forms and sample documents
- Additional documentation submission requirements
- Links to CMS resources and MAC resources
- CMS ADR limit links
- Review claims audit status

RAC WEBSITE RESOURCES (CONT.)

The screenshot shows the Performant website's CMS RAC Resources page. The header includes navigation links for ABOUT US, NEWSROOM, INVESTORS, CAREERS, and a search icon. The main navigation bar contains WHY PERFORMANT?, SOLUTIONS, RESOURCES, CMS RAC, and CONTACT. The page title is "PROVIDER RESOURCES FOR THE MEDICARE RECOVERY AUDIT PROGRAM". A breadcrumb trail reads "Home > CMS RAC > CMS RAC Resources > Provider Resources". A sidebar on the right lists "CMS RAC RESOURCES" with sub-links for "Provider Resources", "Provider Portal", "Region 1", "Region 2", and "Region 5". The main content area features a paragraph about the Medicare Fee for Service (FFS) Recovery Audit Program, a commitment to customer experience, and a note about customer service specialists. A "CONTACT US" button is highlighted with a red box. To the right, a "SECURE PROVIDER PORTAL" section offers access to claim review status and contact updates, with a "PROVIDER PORTAL" button highlighted in red. Below it, a "Need to update your contact information?" section has a "CLICK HERE" button highlighted in red.

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ABOUT US NEWSROOM INVESTORS CAREERS

WHY PERFORMANT? SOLUTIONS RESOURCES CMS RAC CONTACT

PROVIDER RESOURCES FOR THE MEDICARE RECOVERY AUDIT PROGRAM

Home > CMS RAC > CMS RAC Resources > Provider Resources

CMS RAC RESOURCES

- Provider Resources
- Provider Portal
- Region 1
- Region 2
- Region 5

Here you'll find the latest information for the Medicare Fee for Service (FFS) Recovery Audit Program for Regions 1 and 5, including access to helpful resources to assist you in working with Performant.

Our commitment is to deliver a best-in-class customer experience and minimize unnecessary burden to you during the course of our work. We focus on providing a collaborative and data-driven approach to continuously improve our auditing practices while reducing disruption.

If you have questions or would like to learn more about the CMS program, we're here to help. Talk with one of friendly customer service specialists today.

[CONTACT US](#)

SECURE PROVIDER PORTAL

Access your claim review status, update your contact information, and more.

[PROVIDER PORTAL](#)

Need to update your contact information?

[CLICK HERE](#)



RAC WEBSITE RESOURCES (CONT.)

GENERAL PROGRAM UPDATES

[VIEW ALL UPDATES](#)

02/28/2023

On Feb 7th, 2023, CMS officially approved Performant to begin performing the work on new Region 2 contract. Performant is working very closely with CMS to initiate activities of this contract, which includes Provider Outreach and education plans. This will include RAC Region 2 specific web pages that are coming soon on this website.

04/14/2022

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has modified the additional documentation request (ADR) limits for the Medicare Fee-for-Service Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) program for Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRF) and Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) effective from May 1st, 2022. Additional information can be found on the CMS.gov website [Resources | CMS](#)

[Additional Documentation Request \(ADR\) Limits for Institutional Providers \(Facilities\) – May 1st 2022](#)



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- > FORMS AND SAMPLE DOCUMENTS (DOWNLOAD PDFS HERE)
- > ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS (DOWNLOAD PDF HERE)
- > DISCUSSION REQUEST FORM
- > ACRONYMS

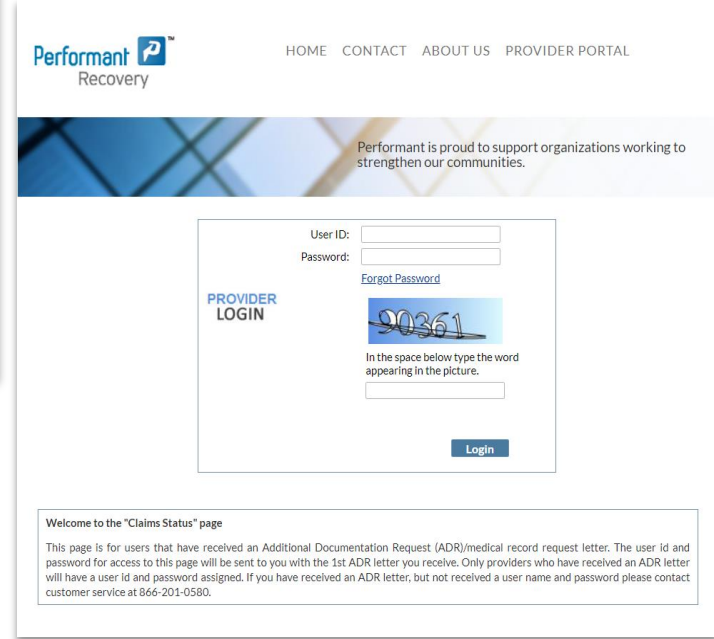
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- > WPS
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PROVIDER PORTAL: LOGIN



After you accept the terms of usage this login screen will appear. The information to log onto the website is provided to you in writing via a “Welcome Letter” from Performant. If you cannot locate this information, contact Performant’s Customer Service team at 1-866-201-0580 and they will assist you.



PROVIDER PORTAL: WHAT'S INSIDE

Beneficiary Information		DOB & DOS		RA Case #	
Name:	DOB:	Check Box 		90033321614	
Claims:	HIC:				
PT Contrl:	DOS: 9/17/2014 - 9/23/2014				
Amount:					

- Provider's overall ADR limit
- ADR letter mailed date
- Medical documentation received date
- Medical review completed date
- Outcome of the review (overpayment, underpayment, no finding)
- Discussion Period information
- Appeals outcomes
- Case closure date
- Update contact information

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**Note: Performant did not audit your claims in RAC Region which is disabled.*
**Note: From Jan 01, 2012, Demand Letters will be printed by the MAC.*
Please contact the MAC for Demand Letter details for claims after Jan 01, 2012.

**Click on the label to sort by*

RAC Case Id	Status	Service Date		ADR Letter			Adit		Review Results Letter		Discussion Period		
		From	To	Claim Paid Amt	Mailed On	ID	Adit Docs Rec'd on	Completed Date	Outcome	Mailed On	ID	Request Rec'd Date	Review Comp Date
90031003032	Active	10/23/2012	10/31/2012	\$32,733.83	01/29/2015	1547591	02/17/2015			04/16/2015	1581681		
90031005656	Active	11/10/2012	11/14/2012	\$18,182.51	01/29/2015	1547591	02/17/2015			04/14/2015	1581230		
90031020747	Active	03/27/2013	04/02/2013	\$30,729.78	01/29/2015	1547591	03/02/2015			04/29/2015	1585149		
90031022750	Active	09/14/2014	09/17/2014	\$7,800.65	01/29/2015	1547591	02/17/2015			04/13/2015	1581038		
90031694301	Active	10/02/2013	10/04/2013	\$9,293.58	03/23/2015	1568176	04/15/2015			06/12/2015	1601676		
90031694333	Cancelled	09/28/2013	10/04/2013	\$11,406.65	03/23/2015	1568176	04/27/2015						
90031694806	Cancelled	09/11/2012	09/19/2012	\$16,912.24	03/23/2015	1568176	04/20/2015						
90031694954	Active	02/11/2014	02/14/2014	\$18,945.19	03/23/2015	1568176	04/10/2015			06/09/2015	1598269		
90031700199	Active	09/06/2013	09/17/2013	\$31,289.93	03/23/2015	1568176	04/27/2015			06/24/2015	1603796		
90031705081	Active	07/09/2013	07/16/2013	\$11,542.97	03/23/2015	1568176	04/20/2015			06/18/2015	1602951		
90031715484	Active	06/14/2014	06/20/2014	\$19,147.65	03/23/2015	1568176	04/17/2015			06/16/2015	1602604		
90031719157	Cancelled	11/26/2014	12/07/2014	\$21,251.64	03/23/2015	1568176	04/22/2015						
90032178239	Active	02/23/2014	03/08/2014	\$20,537.91	05/15/2015	1593819	06/17/2015			08/11/2015	1623882		

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NOTE: The portal is updated nightly.



The 3 different types of Additional Documentation Requests (ADR) Limits

- Institutional
- Physician/Non-physician limits
- DME (only applies to Region 5)

EXTERNAL RESOURCES

> CMS RECOVERY WEBSITE

> CMS MANUALS

> UNDERSTANDING REMITTANCE ADVICE

> INSTITUTIONAL (I.E., FACILITIES) ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION LIMITS

> DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (DME) ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION LIMITS

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PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION CUSTOMIZATION

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RAC REQUEST FOR PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION

Performant Recovery is the Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) for Regions 1 and 5. Please provide your contact information for both Medical Record Requests and Review Results Letters/Discussion Period Letters below. If you represent multiple facilities/providers, please complete this form for each facility/provider or you can complete the Excel spreadsheet linked below. If you utilize the Excel spreadsheet, email the completed form to our [RAC Customer Service Team](#).

 [ProviderAddressUpdateSpreadsheet](#)

[CONTACT FOR RECOVERY MEDICAL RECORD REQUESTS
REVIEW RESULTS/DISCUSSION PERIOD RESULT LETTERS](#)



CONTACT INFORMATION

- Performant
 - Toll-free: 1-866-201-0580
 - Medical Record Fax: 1-325-224-6710
 - Discussion Request Fax: 833-366-9118
 - Website: <https://PerformantRAC.com>
 - Email: info@performantRAC.com
 - Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
 - For Region 2 reviews completed prior to September 16, 2022 please contact Cotiviti (1-866-360-2507)
- CMS
 - Website: <https://www.cms.gov/research-statistics-data-and-systems/monitoring-programs/medicare-ffs-compliance-programs/recovery-audit-program/>
- MAC
 - Primary contact for all processes related to payments, recoupments, refunds, and Level 1 appeals inquiries.
 - Region 2
 - **NGS:** Jurisdiction 6 (J6) – Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois
 - **WPS:** Jurisdiction 5 (J5) – Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri
 - **Novitas:** Jurisdiction H (JH) – Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi

[RAC-FAQs-v5.docx \(live.com\)](#)

