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Requirement from CMS

Effective April 1, 2013, the professional interpretation of a diagnostic test performed on Medicare/Medicaid recipients must be separately billed with modifier -26 by the interpreting physician if:

- the technical component (TC) and professional component (PC) of the diagnostic service are billed separately, or
- the TC and PC are billed globally, but the professional interpretation is furnished in a different payment locality (as defined by CMS) from where the TC was furnished

Under these circumstances, the interpreting physician (or his or her billing agent) must report the address and ZIP code of the interpreting physician’s location on the claim form. If the professional interpretation was furnished at an unusual and infrequent location such as a hotel, the locality of the professional interpretation is determined based on the Medicare enrolled location where the interpreting physician most commonly practices. The address and ZIP code of this practice location is entered in Item 32 on the paper claim Form CMS 1500 (or its electronic equivalent).

Implementation Options

The globally unique workstation ID representing the physical location of the exam interpretation can be tracked and communicated to a third-party system, which converts each ID to a physical address. The communication mechanisms currently available include the following:

- Flat File Billing Interface
- HL-7 Message, ORU (Result)
- HL-7 Message, MDM
Location Identified in Reports

The location of the exam interpretation can also be mapped into the reading physician report. This can employ the Patient Info tool or the DB data mapping tool on the Template tab.

Mapping the Workstation ID Using the Ptnfo Tool

1. On the **Templates** tab, click **Patient Information**.

   | Patient Name | [FirstN] [LastN] |
   | MR#          | Age            | Sex | Date | Time |
   | MRN          | [Age]          | [Sex] | [Date] | [Time] |
   | At the Request Of | [RefDoc]       | RefAddr |
   | [RefDoc2]    | [RefAddr2]     | RefPhone |
   | Accession: [acc] |

2. In the Microsoft Word® template, type the information you want to appear in the report such as Professional Service Location ID [LocID], to create a placeholder for the desired data element. You can use [any text].

   | Patient Name | [FirstN] [LastN] |
   | MR#          | Age            | Sex | Date | Time |
   | MRN          | [Age]          | [Sex] | [Date] | [Time] |
   | At the Request Of | [RefDoc]       | RefAddr |
   | [RefDoc2]    | [RefAddr2]     | RefPhone |
   | Accession: [acc] |

   **Professional Service Location ID: [LocID]**

3. Click **Scan** on the **Report Demographics Layout** dialog box.

   Follow the directions on the dialog to complete mapping of the workstation ID.
4. Select the Word field and click **Map DR Field**.

5. On the DR Equivalents **General** tab, select **Professional Service Location ID**, and click **OK**.

6. In the Report Demographics Layout dialog box, click **Header Test** and verify the interpretation location.
7. Click **OK** for the Test passed message and click **Save** for the Report Demographics Layout dialog box. The location of the interpretation appears in the appropriate location of the reading physician report.

![Patient Information](image)

**Unity Build Requirements**

The following builds, or higher, are required.

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**Getting Help and Information**

- **Displaying Online Help**
  - Press F1 or click Help Topics from the Help menu.

- **Accessing the Resource Center**
  Review white papers, user guides, TechNotes, technical specifications and other documents:
  - Go to [www.drsys.com](http://www.drsys.com) and click the Resource Center button.

- **Contacting DR Systems**
  - Phone: 1-800-794-5956
  - Fax: 1-858-625-3337
  - E-mail:
    - Sales: Sales@drsys.com
    - Info: Info@drsys.com
    - Support: drsupport@drsys.com

- **Customer Support Online**
  - Go to www.drsys.com and click Customer Support Login.

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