


Extension of the Transition to the Fully Adjusted DMEPOS Payment Rates for 21st Century Cures Act Mass Adjustments

CMS has issued [Change Request \(CR\) 9968](#)  and related contractor instructions to begin mass adjustments for all claims impacted by the extension of the transition to the fully adjusted Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics and Supplies (DMEPOS) payment rates under Section 16007 of the 21st Century Cures Act.

Noridian is prepared to begin mass adjustments to all claims covered under the rule and will be initiating adjustments for 20,000 claims each day for Jurisdiction A and 20,000 claims for Jurisdiction D for the next 24 weeks as directed by CMS.

As part of the fee schedule update for the 21st Century Cures Act, the KE modifier was added to the fee schedule for use on items bid under the initial Round 1 of Competitive Bidding but used with non-competitive bid base equipment. Suppliers must request written or telephone reopenings to add the KE modifier to applicable claims **after the mass adjustments are complete.**

Noridian will notify suppliers through an article and listserv message when all the claims have been adjusted so that reopenings to add the KE modifier can be requested. The article and list serve will provide detailed instructions for the KE modifier reopening process.

If a KE modifier adjustment request is submitted before this notice is published, **the request will be dismissed and you will be asked to resubmit when appropriate.**


For more information, see [CMS Medicare Learning Network \(MLN\) Matters \(MM\) 9968](#) .

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