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To: All hospitals reporting UB04 Patient Data to TN Department of Health

Re: Changes in Medicare Advantage Payer Classification Codes

Beginning with first quarter 2025 discharge data submissions, which is due May 30, 2025, there will be changes in reporting Medicare Advantage Payer Classification codes that are reported as payer **"K"** (see Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary Payer Name Code – pages 66, 68 and 72 of the 2020 HDDS Manual).

There is a need to analyze at more granular level plans that are most utilized across the state. Rather than using only **"K"** to identify *all* Medicare Advantage plans, please use the table below to show the top seven plans utilized by Tennessee hospitals.

New Medicare Advantage Plan Codes - effective 5-30-2025	
K1	Aetna
K2	Humana
K3	Cigna
K4	United Healthcare - including AARP
K5	WellCare
K6	Blue Cross
K7	Wellpoint
K	Other Medicare Advantage Plans: Health 123 Health Net Heritage/John Deere Windsor CrestPoint Sterling Unspecified

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact us.

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