



# Overview of Advance Communication Engine System Edit Module for Electronic Claim Submission

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# Objectives

- NGS-ACE
- Explain How NGS-ACE Affects Your Claims
- Review the 277CA Claims Acknowledgement Report

# Agenda

- What is NGS-ACE
- Why is NGS implementing NGS-ACE
- NGS-ACE Edit Messages and Descriptions
- 277 Claim Acknowledgement (277CA)
- Errors and Resubmissions

# What Is NGS-ACE

- The new NGS-ACE editing module was implemented on 1/30/2022
- NGS-ACE applies business level edits to your electronically submitted claims
- For all Part B claims in Jurisdiction 6 (Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota)
  - For all direct submitters as well as those who transmit claims via clearinghouses/billing services, in January 2022

# Why The Enhancements?

- Decrease denial rates
- Improve billing inefficiencies
- Reduce appeal/reopening requests
- Reduce administrative costs and provider burden



# Edit Messages and Descriptions

- View the [Current NGS-ACE Edits](#)
- Example of an NGS-ACE Edit

Smart Edit	Smart Edit Message	Smart Edit Description
mTS	Team surgery is not permitted for procedure XXXXX.	(mTS) Medicare Team Surgeons Not Permitted The mTS edit identifies claim lines that contain a team surgeon modifier and a procedure code that Medicare typically does not allow reimbursement for team surgeons.

# 277CA Report Changes

- [NGS-ACE Edits](#) can be identified by the presence of the 2200D and/or 2220D STC data element with the verbiage 'SMARTEDIT' IN STC012
- When a 277CA is received
  1. Recognize the errors that occurred and begin a correct/resubmit action on specific claims
  2. Recognize transactions were accepted
  3. Use returned claim numbers for future status inquiries
- Reflects a data problem that must be addressed by resources in the providers billing area
- Billing staff will need reports produced in order to identify claim corrections before resubmission

# 277CA Report Example - BAG

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ISA*00*          *00*          *ZZ*06102          *ZZ*ACETEST          *211124*0718*^*00501*000000001*0*P*:-
GS*HN*06102*ACETEST*20211124*071433*1*X*005010X214~
ST*277*000000001*005010X214~
BHT*0085*08*21328*20211124*071433*TH~
HL*1**20*1~
NMI*FR*2*NGS INC IL****46*06102~
TRN*1*0610220211124000001~
DTP*050*D8*20211124~
DTP*009*D8*20211124~
HL*2*1*21*1~
NMI*41*1*TEST PART B*SUBMIT*A***46*ACETEST~
TRN*2*837F06102BAG005T001~
STC*A1:19:PR*20211124*WQ*250~
QTY*AA*1~
AMT*YY*250~
HL*3*2*19*1~
NMI*85*2*PII****XX*9999999999~
TRN*1*PAS1000AX.NM1.0001~
STC*A1:19:PR**WQ*250~
QTY*QC*1~
AMT*YY*250~
HL*4*3*PT~
NMI*QC*1*PII*PII*X***MI*PII~
TRN*2*PAS1000AX.NM1.0001~
STC*A1:19:PR*20211124*U*250~
DTP*472*D8*20211123~
SVC*HC:G0102*250****1~
STC*A3:23:41**U*****SMARTEDIT PATTERN 20079 PER LCD OR NCD GUIDELINES - PROCEDURE CODE G0102 HAS NOT MET THE ASSOCIATED AGE RELATIONSHIP CRITERIA FOR CMS ID(S) 210.1~
STC*A3:23:41**U*****SMARTEDIT INFO A POTENTIAL CODING ERROR WAS IDENTIFIED WITH THIS CLAIM PLEASE SEE STC 2220D LOOP FOR SPECIFIC INFORMATION. IF YOU WISH TO CONTINUE WITHOUT UPDATES PLE
REP*FJ*2009100600000000008H0001~
DTP*472*D8*20211123~
SE*30*000000001~
GE*1*1~
IEA*1*000000001~
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# 277CA Report Example - BPO

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ISA*00*          *00*          *22*06102      *22*ACETEST      *211124*0723*^*00501*000000001*0*P*:-
GS*HM*06102*ACETEST*20211124*071953*1*X*005010X214-
ST*277*000000001*005010X214-
BHT*0085*08*21328*20211124*071953*TH-
HL*1**20*1~
NM1*PR*2*NGS INC IL****46*06102-
TRN*1*0610220211124000001-
DTP*050*D8*20211124-
DTP*009*D8*20211124-
HL*2*1*21*1-
NM1*41*1*TEST PART B*SUBMIT*A****46*ACETEST-
TRN*2*837F06102BP0005T001-
STC*A1:19:PR*20211124*WQ*250-
QTY*AA*1-
AMT*YY*250-
HL*3*2*19*1-
NM1*85*2*PII****XX*9999999999-
TRN*1*PAS1000AX.NM1.0001-
STC*A1:19:PR**WQ*250-
QTY*QC*1-
AMT*YY*250-
HL*4*3*PT-
NM1*QC*1*PHI*PHI*X***MI*PHI-
TRN*2*PAS1000AX.NM1.0001-
STC*A7:189*20211124*U*250-
DTP*472*D8*20211123-
SVC*EC:G0442*250*****1-
STC*A3:23:41**U*****SMARTEDIT PATTERN 4531 PROCEDURE CODE G0442 IS NOT TYPICALLY PERFORMED BY A PROVIDER IN PLACE OF SERVICE 21 (INPATIENT HOSPITAL).~
STC*A3:23:41**U*****SMARTEDIT PATTERN 20079 PER LCD OR NCD GUIDELINES  PROCEDURE CODE G0442 HAS NOT MET THE ASSOCIATED PLACE OF SERVICE RELATIONSHIP CRITERIA FOR CMS ID(S) 210.8.-
STC*A3:23:41**U*****SMARTEDIT INFO A POTENTIAL CODING ERROR WAS IDENTIFIED WITH THIS CLAIM  PLEASE SEE STC 2220D LOOP FOR SPECIFIC INFORMATION.  IF YOU WISH TO CONTINUE WITHOUT UPDATES  PLA
REF*FJ*200910060000000008H0001~
DTP*472*D8*20211123-
SE*31*000000001-
GE*1*1-
IEA*1*000000001-
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# Errors and Resubmission

- NGS-ACE applies business level edits to your electronically submitted claims
- The information for the edits are returned on the 277 Claim Acknowledgement (277CA) transaction that you currently receive
- This allows you to correct any errors and resubmit your claim before MCS receives them

# Errors and Resubmit

- If you choose not to change the claims, you can resubmit in the claim's original format and the claim will pass to the NGS Gateway's second level of Business Edits before processing in the MCS claims adjudication system
- J6 Part B previous EDI duplicate claim edit is turned off

# What's To Come?

- Additional edits will be implemented in phases
- Stay Informed
  - [NGS-Advance Communication Engine System Edit Module](#)

# Thank You!

- Follow-up email
  - Attendees will be provided a Medicare University Course Code
- Questions?

