Center for Health Information and Analysis

Massachusetts All---Payer Claims Database

Member Eligibility File Submission

Member Eligibility Elements and When to Add a Line vs. Change a Line

Most corrections and updates to elements in the ME file do not require a new line to be created – simply update the element(s) that require correction along with the Last Activity Date (ME056). Correction here means correcting any element that was stored in the submitter's system(s) incorrectly, and an update means that an attribute has changed (such as Last Name, Birthdates, Gender, SSNs, Language, Interpreter, Deductible Used, etc.). These updates also require that Last Activity Date (ME056) be updated to indicate to MA APCD that an update occurred.

Attached is a full listing of the ME File elements and the expected activity on each. Those elements that require a line to be added when it's changed are highlighted in pink. **There are only 32 elements (of the 119) that when altered require a new line to be added to the ME File.** Each of these has an explanation for the addition of a line as opposed to updating existing lines based on current experience and QA activity. Having a complete list of accurate start and end dates is critical. We need a separate record for each distinct eligibility segment/product.

As MA APCD systems continue to mature more elements may move to the 'Change' category, thus relieving the files of multiple lines for the same members.

Activity	Element #	Element Name	Notes / Reason / Logic
Stable	ME001	Submitter	Submitter must use same OrgID
Stable	ME002	National PlanID	When implemented submitter must use same National PlanID
Add	ME003	Insurance Type Code / Product	Unless a correction, this element does not change without other prominent changes to benefits
Change	ME004	Year	
Change	ME005	Month	
Add	ME006	Insured Group or Policy Number	Unless a correction, this element does not change without other prominent changes to benefits
Add	ME007	Coverage Level Code	This element is used to define base eligibility and QA member attributes on eligibility and claims
Change	ME008	Subscriber SSN	
Add	ME009	Plan Specific Contract Number	Unless a correction, this element does not change without other prominent changes to benefits
Change	ME010	Member Suffix or Sequence Number	
Change	ME011	Member SSN	
Change	ME012	Individual Relationship Code	
Change	ME013	Member Gender	
Change	ME014	Member Date of Birth	
Stable	ME015	Filler	Required to be NULL
Change	ME016	Member State	
Change	ME017	Member Zip Code	
Add	ME018	Medical Coverage	This element is used to determine base coverage, periods of 'on' vs. 'off' are necessary in a file for various calculations; often indicates other changes to benefits
Add	ME019	Prescription Drug Coverage	This element is used to determine base coverage, periods of 'on' vs. 'off' are necessary in a file for various calculations; often indicates other changes to benefits
Change	ME020	Dental Coverage	
Stable	ME021	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME022	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME023	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME024	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME025	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME026	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME027	Filler	Required to be NULL

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Change	ME028	Primary Insurance Indicator	
Change	ME029	Coverage Type	
Change	ME030	Market Category Code	
Change	ME031	Special Coverage	
Change	ME032	Group Name	
Change	ME033	Member Language Preference	
Stable	ME034	Filler	Required to be NULL
Change	ME035	Health Care Home (PCMH) Assigned Flag	
Change	ME036	Health Care Home (PCMH) Number	
Change	ME037	Health Care Home (PCMH) Tax ID	
Change	ME038	NPI --- Health Care Home (PCMH)	
Stable	ME039	Filler	Required to be NULL
Add	ME040	Product ID Number	Primary identifying element --- changes to this attribute indicates eligibility attribute changes that need to be captured separately
Add	ME041	Product Enrollment Start Date	Changing Start Date often indicates a new Product, necessitating new lines to define eligibility attributes
Change	ME042	Product Enrollment End Date	
Stable	ME043	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME044	Filler	Required to be NULL
Change	ME045	Purchased through Massachusetts Exchange	
Add	ME046	PCP ID	PCP ID change necessitates PCP Effective Date Change, that automatically requires a new line of eligibility
Add	ME047	Member PCP Effective Date	Changing PCP Effective Date often indicates a new PCP, necessitating new lines to define eligibility attributes when matched to claim lines
Change	ME048	Member PCP Termination Date	
Add	ME049	Member Deductible	This element is used to determine base coverage, altering the value often indicate eligibility attribute changes
Change	ME050	Member Deductible Used	
Add	ME051	Behavioral Health Benefit Flag	This element is used to determine base coverage, periods of 'on' vs. 'off' are necessary in a file for various calculations; often indicates other changes to benefits
Change	ME052	Laboratory Benefit Flag	
Change	ME053	Disease Management Enrollee Flag	

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Add	ME054	Eligibility Determination Date	Changing Eligibility Determination Date often indicates a new line of benefits, either through Product or Benefit Plan
Add	ME055	Business Type Code	This element provides an attribute that parses lines of eligibility into various reporting categories
Change	ME056	Last Activity Date	
Stable	ME057	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME058	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME059	Filler	Required to be NULL
Change	ME060	Employment Status	
Stable	ME061	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME062	Filler	Required to be NULL
Change	ME063	Benefit Status	
Change	ME064	Employee Type	
Change	ME065	Date of Retirement	
Change	ME066	COBRA Status	
Change	ME067	Spouse Plan Type	
Change	ME068	Spouse Plan	
Change	ME069	Spouse Medical Coverage	
Change	ME070	Spouse Medicare Indicator	
Change	ME071	Pool Indicator	
Stable	ME072	Filler	Required to be NULL
Add	ME073	Fully Insured Member	This element is used to determine base coverage and aid with Risk Assessment; used in tandem with ME055 and ME134
Change	ME074	Interpreter	
Add	ME075	New MMISID	This is the MassHealth Identifier that is the equivalent to ME107/ME117
Add	ME076	Member Rating Category	This is the MassHealth code that determines a range of benefits that change with member demographics
Change	ME077	Member's NAICS Code	
Change	ME078	Employer Zip Code (Situs)	
Change	ME079	Recipient Identification Number (MassHealth Only)	
Change	ME080	Recipient Historical Number (MassHealth Only)	
Change	ME081	Medicare Code	
Change	ME082	Employer Name	

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Add	ME083	Employer EIN	This element is used to determine when Member/Subscriber changes employers and ultimately insurance coverage
Change	ME101	Subscriber Last Name	
Change	ME102	Subscriber First Name	
Change	ME103	Subscriber Middle Initial	
Change	ME104	Member Last Name	
Change	ME105	Member First Name	
Change	ME106	Member Middle Initial	
Add	ME107	Carrier Specific Unique Member ID	Primary identifying element --- changes to this attribute indicates eligibility attribute changes that need to be captured separately
Stable	ME108	Filler	Required to be NULL
Change	ME109	Subscriber State or Province	
Change	ME110	Subscriber Zip Code	
Add	ME111	Medical Deductible	This element is used to determine base coverage, periods of 'on' vs. 'off' are necessary in a file for various calculations; often indicates other changes to benefits
Add	ME112	Pharmacy Deductible	This element is used to determine base coverage, periods of 'on' vs. 'off' are necessary in a file for various calculations; often indicates other changes to benefits
Add	ME113	Medical & Pharmacy Deductible	This element is used to determine base coverage, periods of 'on' vs. 'off' are necessary in a file for various calculations; often indicates other changes to benefits
Add	ME114	Behavioral Health Deductible	This element is used to determine base coverage, periods of 'on' vs. 'off' are necessary in a file for various calculations; often indicates other changes to benefits
Change	ME115	Dental Deductible	
Change	ME116	Vision Deductible	
Add	ME117	Carrier Specific Unique Subscriber ID	Primary identifying element --- changes to this attribute indicates eligibility attribute changes that need to be captured separately
Change	ME118	Vision Benefit	
Stable	ME119	Filler	Required to be NULL
Add	ME120	Actuarial Value	Changing Actuarial Values often indicates a change to eligibility attributes
Change	ME121	Metal Level	

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Change	ME122	Coinsurance Maximum %	
Add	ME123	Monthly Premium	Changes to this attribute indicates eligibility attribute changes that need to be captured separately
Change	ME124	Attributed PCP Provider ID	
Change	ME125	TME OrgID --- Physician Group of the Member's PCP	
Add	ME126	Risk Adjustment Covered Plan (RACP)	
Add	ME127	Billable Member	Changes to this attribute indicates eligibility attribute changes that need to be captured separately
Add	ME128	Benefit Plan Contract ID	Primary identifying element --- changes to this attribute indicates eligibility attribute changes that need to be captured separately
Add	ME129	Member Benefit Plan Contract Enrollment Start Date	Changing Start Date often indicates a new Benefit Plan Contract, necessitating new lines to define eligibility attributes
Change	ME130	Member Benefit Plan Contract Enrollment End Date	
Change	ME131	TME Global Budget / Payment Indicator	
Add	ME132	Total Monthly Premium	Changes to this attribute indicates eligibility attribute changes that need to be captured separately
Change	ME133	GIC ID	
Add	ME134	APCD ID Code	This element provides an attribute that parses lines of eligibility into various reporting categories
Stable	ME135	Filler	Required to be NULL
Stable	ME899	Record Type	Submitter must use ME here