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NOTE: Transmittal 595, dated June 24, 2005 is rescinded and replaced with Transmittal 598, dated June 27, 2005. The effective and implementation dates were changed to read January 1, 2006. All other information remains the same.

SUBJECT: Implementation of Carrier Guidelines for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Reimbursement for Automated Multi-Channel Chemistry (AMCC) Tests (Supplemental to Change Request 2813)

I. SUMMARY OF CHANGES: This instruction supplements Change Request (CR) 2813 (Transmittal 198, issued on June 2, 2004) by implementing carrier procedures to enforce compliance with the payment policy for End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)-related laboratory services. CMS is implementing these new procedures in response to payment vulnerabilities identified by the Office of the Inspector General. The standard system requirements specified in CR 2813 have been implemented in multiple releases. This transmittal also makes technical corrections to the manual.

NEW/REVISED MATERIAL : EFFECTIVE DATE : January 1, 2006 IMPLEMENTATION DATE : January 1, 2006

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II. CHANGES IN MANUAL INSTRUCTIONS: (N/A if manual is not updated) **R = REVISED, N = NEW, D = DELETED –** *Only One Per Row.*

R/N/D	Chapter / Section / SubSection / Title
R	8/60.1/Lab Services
R	16/40.6.1/Automated Multi-Channel Chemistry (AMCC) Tests for ESRD Beneficiaries - FIs
R	16/40.6.2/Claims Processing for Separately Billable Tests for ESRD Beneficiaries

III. FUNDING:

No additional funding will be provided by CMS; Contractor activities are to be carried out within their FY 2006 operating budgets.

IV. ATTACHMENTS:

Business Requirements Manual Instruction

*Unless otherwise specified, the effective date is the date of service.