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File attributes:
Format: Fixed block
Length: 200 bytes

Data Field	Length	Type	Displacement	Description
Beneficiary Medicare ID	12	Alpha-Numeric	1-12	Beneficiary Medicare Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) or Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI)
Beneficiary Surname	24	Alpha-Numeric	13 -36	Beneficiary last name
Beneficiary First	12	Alpha-Numeric	37-48	Beneficiary first name
Beneficiary Birth Date	8	Alpha-Numeric	49-56	Beneficiary date of birth in CCYYMMDD format containing no special characters
Beneficiary Sex Code	1	Alpha-Numeric	57	Beneficiary sex code Values are: 'M' = Male 'F' = Female
Beneficiary Supplemental Eligibility From Date	8	Alpha-Numeric	58-65	Medicare supplemental "from" date in CCYYMMDD format containing no special characters
Beneficiary Supplemental Eligibility To Date	8	Alpha-Numeric	66-73	Medicare supplemental "to" date in CCYYMMDD format containing no special characters
Beneficiary Supplemental ID Number	25	Alpha-Numeric	74-98	Supplemental ID on file with sender. Should be the same as what is submitted on the claim.
CWF Disposition Code	2	Alpha-Numeric	99-100	Common Working File Disposition Code Values are: '01' = Record accepted by Common Working File (CWF). 'BO'= Transaction edit

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CWF Disposition Code (continued)	(cont.)	(cont.)	(cont.)	'50' = Record still being processed by CMS. Trading partner should resubmit record in next eligibility file for a final disposition. '51' = Beneficiary is not in file on CMS System. '52' = Record still being processed by CMS. Trading partner should resubmit record in next Eligibility File for a final disposition. '55' = Name/Personal Characteristic Mismatch. Name or personal characteristic of beneficiary does not match the Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) on Medicare's files. *Agreeing Partner* needs to re-verify name, HICN, date of birth and sex based on information in its files; then resubmit on next exchange file. '60' = Cross-Reference Data Base Problem. 'AB' = CWF problem that can only be resolved by CWF technician. 'CI' = Processing Error
CWF Disposition Date	8	Alpha-Numeric	101-108	CWF Disposition date in CCYYMMDD format containing no special characters

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BO Error-1	4	Alpha-Numeric	109-112	Values are: Blank = No error 'BO01' = Invalid or missing HICN 'BO02' = Invalid or missing beneficiary surname 'BO03' = Invalid or missing beneficiary date of birth 'BO04' = Invalid or missing beneficiary sex code (NOTE: If the beneficiary sex code is unknown default to M) *'BO05' = The contractor number is not equal to '11120' *'BO08' = The Document Control Number is invalid 'BO09' = The Action Type is missing or invalid *"BO11' = The Insurance Coverage Type is missing or invalid *'BO12' = The Insurer Name or Address Info is invalid 'BO13' = The Insurance Policy Number is invalid 'BO14' = Invalid insurance effective date 'BO15' = Invalid insurance termination date 'BO16' = The Identifier Number is invalid 'BO17' = The COBA Number is invalid 'BO18' = The PlanID number is invalid 'BO19' = The Other Insurer Number is invalid 'BO20' = No Match Found for Delete.

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Data Field	Length	Type	Displacement	Description
BO Error-1 (continued)	(cont.)	(cont.)	(cont.)	'BO22' = Record already deleted 'BO90' = Overlapping Coverage: Trading partner submitted an overlapping eligibility period for its member. The edit occurs when a BOI record already exists within that coverage period. 'BO99' = This record is a duplicate of another record in the incoming eligibility file. A match is performed on COBA, HICN, and Effective Date to determine duplicates. Note: This is a BCRC generated error. Record will not be sent to the CWF.
BO Error-2	4	Alpha-Numeric	113-116	Values are: Blank = No error 'BO01' = Invalid or missing HICN 'BO02' = Invalid or missing beneficiary surname 'BO03' = Invalid or missing beneficiary date of birth 'BO04' = Invalid or missing beneficiary sex code (NOTE: If the beneficiary sex code is unknown default to M) *'BO05' = The contractor number is not equal to '11120' *'BO08' = The Document Control Number is invalid 'BO09' = The Action Type is missing or invalid *"BO11' = The Insurance Coverage Type is missing or invalid

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BO Error-2 (continued)	(cont.)	(cont.)	(cont.)	*'BO12' = The Insurer Name or Address Info is invalid
				'BO13' = The Insurance Policy Number is invalid
				'BO14' = Invalid insurance effective date
				'BO15' = Invalid insurance termination date
				'BO16' = The Identifier Number is invalid
				'BO17' = The COBA Number is invalid
				'BO18' = The PlanID number is invalid
				'BO19' = The Other Insurer Number is invalid
				'BO20' = No Match Found for Delete.
				'BO22' = Record already deleted
				'BO90' = Overlapping Coverage: Trading partner submitted an overlapping eligibility period for its member. The edit occurs when a BOI record already exists within that coverage period.
				'BO99' = This record is a duplicate of another record in the incoming eligibility file. A match is performed on COBA, HICN, and Effective Date to determine duplicates. Note: This is a BCRC generated error. Record will not be sent to the CWF.

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BO Error-3	4	Alpha-Numeric	117-120	Values are: Blank = No error 'BO01' = Invalid or missing HICN 'BO02' = Invalid or missing beneficiary surname 'BO03' = Invalid or missing beneficiary date of birth 'BO04' = Invalid or missing beneficiary sex code (NOTE: If the beneficiary sex code is unknown default to M) *'BO05' = The contractor number is not equal to '11120' *'BO08' = The Document Control Number is invalid 'BO09' = The Action Type is missing or invalid *"BO11' = The Insurance Coverage Type is missing or invalid *'BO12' = The Insurer Name or Address Info is invalid 'BO13' = The Insurance Policy Number is invalid 'BO14' = Invalid insurance effective date 'BO15' = Invalid insurance termination date 'BO16' = The Identifier Number is invalid 'BO17' = The COBA Number is invalid 'BO18' = The PlanID number is invalid 'BO19' = The Other Insurer Number is invalid 'BO20' = No Match Found for Delete. 'BO22' = Record already deleted

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BO Error-3 (continued)	(cont.)	(cont.)	(cont.)	'BO90' = Overlapping Coverage: Trading partner submitted an overlapping eligibility period for its member. The edit occurs when a BOI record already exists within that coverage period. 'BO99' = This record is a duplicate of another record in the incoming eligibility file. A match is performed on COBA, HICN, and Effective Date to determine duplicates. Note: This is a BCRC generated error. Record will not be sent to the CWF.
BO Error-4	4	Alpha-Numeric	121-124	Values are: Blank = No error 'BO01' = Invalid or missing HICN 'BO02' = Invalid or missing beneficiary surname 'BO03' = Invalid or missing beneficiary date of birth 'BO04' = Invalid or missing beneficiary sex code (NOTE: If the beneficiary sex code is unknown default to M) *'BO05' = The contractor number is not equal to '11120' *'BO08' = The Document Control Number is invalid 'BO09' = The Action Type is missing or invalid *"BO11' = The Insurance Coverage Type is missing or invalid *'BO12' = The Insurer Name or Address Info is invalid

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Data Field	Length	Type	Displacement	Description
BO Error-4 (continued)	(cont.)	(cont.)	(cont.)	'BO13' = The Insurance Policy Number is invalid 'BO14' = Invalid insurance effective date 'BO15' = Invalid insurance termination date 'BO16' = The Identifier Number is invalid 'BO17' = The COBA Number is invalid 'BO18' = The PlanID number is invalid 'BO19' = The Other Insurer Number is invalid 'BO20' = No Match Found for Delete. 'BO22' = Record already deleted 'BO90' = Overlapping Coverage: Trading partner submitted an overlapping eligibility period for its member. The edit occurs when a BOI record already exists within that coverage period. 'BO99' = This record is a duplicate of another record in the incoming eligibility file. A match is performed on COBA, HICN, and Effective Date to determine duplicates. Note: This is a BCRC-generated error. Record will not be sent to the CWF.
Current HICN	12	Alpha-Numeric	125-136	Current Beneficiary HICN
File Update Indicator	1	Alpha-Numeric	137	Type of update values: 'A' = Add 'C' = Change/Update 'D' = Delete
Beneficiary Group Policy Number	20	Alpha-Numeric	138-157	Beneficiary Group Policy Number

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Data Field	Length	Type	Displacement	Description
Current MBI	11	Alpha-Numeric	158-168	Current Medicare Beneficiary Identifier
Filler	32	Alpha-Numeric	169-200	Unused Field – Populate with spaces

*CMS internal requirement or BCRC-applied values. Trading partners should not expect to receive. If received, the record should be retransmitted to ensure request is applied.