

This alert contains information regarding new accounts and changes to Object code 50.

Two additional accounts were added recently to the BARS manual chart of accounts to code new distributions sponsored by the Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services. If you are currently receiving such payments, please use these codes.

**3329330, Medicaid Transformation Demonstration**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Payments to eligible providers participating in the Medicaid Transformation Demonstration project.

Do not report expenditures from these payments on the Schedule of Expenditures for Federal Awards (Schedule 16).

**3329340, Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) Payment Program**

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services – Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

A voluntary Certified Public Expenditure (CPE) based program that provides supplemental cost based payments to eligible providers that render GEMT services to Medicaid enrollees. Do not report expenditures from these payments on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule 16).

One of the upcoming changes in the 2019 BARS manual update will be the elimination of Object code 50, *Intergovernmental Services and Payments*. Although the Object code 50 was limited to certain services, the analysis of the submitted reports indicated that the Object code was not used properly. The further analysis indicated that elimination of this Object code would bring consistency in coding therefore increasing the reliability of reported financial information. The elimination of Object code 50 required some adjustments to definition and description of Object codes 30 and 40. Below are the new definitions Objects 30 and 40. **Please remember this change will apply to fiscal year 2019 (reported in 2020).**

**30 Supplies for Consumption and Resale**

Include:

- items purchased for consumption (e.g., office supplies, forms, agricultural supplies, chemicals, laboratory supplies, cleaning supplies, clothing, construction materials, drugs, electrical supplies, feed for animals, household supplies, lubricants, medicines, painting and plumbing supplies, books, publications, etc.);
- items purchased for resale (e.g., automotive repair parts, grave markers and liners, central store merchandise, maps, code books, concession supplies, fuel, trees, books and other literary materials, office supplies, forms, agricultural supplies, chemicals, laboratory supplies, cleaning supplies, clothing, construction materials, drugs, electrical supplies, feed for animals, household supplies, lubricants, medicines, painting and plumbing supplies, books, publications, etc.); also power, gas, water and waste disposal services purchased for resale only – if purchased for the governments' own consumption, use object 40;
- fuel used to generate power, heating, and operate engines and vehicles (e.g., coal, diesel fuel, gasoline, oil, propane gas, wood, etc.);
- small tools and minor equipment.

**40 Services and Pass-Through Payments**

Use this object for governmental type and other professional and technical services provided by other governments (federal, state, local), other funds, or by private entities.

Include:

- professional services (e.g., accounting, auditing, advertising, computer services, medical, dental and hospital, management consulting, custodial, messenger, testing, monitoring, cleaning, engineering, architectural, legal, investment services, etc.);
- communication (e.g., postage, internet, telephone, facsimile, shipping, etc.);
- travel (e.g., mileage, lodging, meals, etc.);
- taxes (e.g., sales and use, B&O tax, etc.) and operating assessments (i.e., payments to other governments or funds based on levies against property or income of the government or a fund);
- permits, licenses, accreditation, certification and other fees which are necessary for operations paid to the federal, state or local governments (e.g., survey fees, laboratory accreditation fees, disposal fees, discharge permits, bio solid permits, FERC licenses, etc.);
- operating rentals and leases (GAAP entities should use object 60 for capital leases; cash basis entities should use object 70 for the principal payments and object 80 for interest payments on capital leases);
- insurance (e.g., liability, theft, bonds, casualty, etc.; however use object 20 for insurance applicable to personnel benefits);
- utility services (e.g., water, sewer, gas, electricity, waste disposal, television, etc.; however use object 30 for power, gas or water purchased for resale);
- contracted repairs and maintenance (use object 60 for construction contracts);
- other (e.g., court costs, investigation, judgments, damages, dues, subscriptions, memberships, registrations, information and credit services, laundry and sanitation services, filing, recording, witness fees, printing, binding, tuition, etc.).

Also include eligible intergovernmental **pass-through** payments, contributions and grants from federal, state, and own or other local resources to other governments or nongovernmental entities.

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