

### *What is a Medicare Set Aside (MSA)?*

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A Medicare Set-Aside is an arrangement between the settling parties in order to protect Medicare's interests when settling future medical benefits for qualified individuals and to prevent the shift of burden from the primary payer to Medicare.

### *How can a Medicare Set Aside benefit your claim?*

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#### *A Medicare Set Aside will...*

- Project the amount of money to be set-aside at the time of settlement for the related and allowable medical care
- Identify both the Medicare and Non-Medicare covered cost
- Act as a settlement tool
- Identify any potential problems as related to the current and future recommended medical or pharmacy care/costs
- Identify any co-morbid conditions and obtain a rated age in order to decrease the life expectancy, thus assist with decreasing the overall future medical costs
- Provide a comprehensive medical summary from the date of the injury to present

### *Red Flags*

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- If the claimant is a Medicare beneficiary at the time of settlement
- If the claimant is 62.5 years of age at the time of settlement
- If the claimant has a catastrophic injury
- If the settlement is over \$250,000.00 and the claimant is on SSDI

### *Contact Information*

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We appreciate the opportunity to partner with you through the file review process or anytime that might be appropriate based on the above criteria. Please contact KRS should you have questions regarding whether or not a Medicare Set Aside would be appropriate.

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