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be imposed with respect to quarters for which the State has failed to report properly. Unless otherwise prohibited by law, FFP for those expenditures will be released when the State complies with all reporting requirements.

Subpart C—Mechanized Claims Processing and Information Retrieval Systems

§ 433.110 Basis, purpose, and applicability.

(a) This subpart implements the following sections of the Act:

(1) Section 1903(a)(3) of the Act, which provides for FFP in State expenditures for the design, development, or installation of mechanized claims processing and information retrieval systems and for the operation of certain systems. Additional HHS regulations and HCFA procedures for implementing these regulations are in 45 CFR part 74, 45 CFR part 95, subpart F, and part 11, State Medicaid Manual; and

(2) Section 1903(r) of the Act, which—
(i) Requires reductions in FFP otherwise due a State under section 1903(a) if a State fails to meet certain deadlines for operating a mechanized claims processing and information retrieval system or if the system fails to meet certain conditions of approval or conditions of reapproval;

(ii) Requires a Federal performance review at least every three years of the mechanized claims processing and information retrieval systems; and

(iii) Allows waivers of conditions of approval, conditions of reapproval, and FFP reductions under certain circumstances.

(b) The requirements under section 1903(r) of the Act do not apply to Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa and the Northern Mariana Islands.

[50 FR 30846, July 30, 1985, as amended at 54 FR 41973, Oct. 13, 1989]

§ 433.111 Definitions.

For purposes of this section:

(a) The following terms are defined at 45 CFR part 95, subpart F § 95.605:

“Advance Planning Document”; “Design” or “System Design”; “Development”; “En-

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hancement”; “Hardware”; “Installation”; “Operation”; and, “Software”.

(b) “Mechanized claims processing and information retrieval system” or “system” means the system of software and hardware used to process Medicaid claims from providers of medical care and services for the medical care and services furnished to recipients under the medical assistance program and to retrieve and produce service utilization and management information required by the Medicaid single State agency and Federal Government for program administration and audit purposes. The system consists of

(1) Required subsystems specified in the State Medicaid Manual;

(2) Required changes to the required system or subsystem that are published in accordance with § 433.123 of this subpart and specified in the State Medicaid Manual; and

(3) Approved enhancements to the system. Eligibility determination systems are not part of mechanized claims processing and information retrieval systems or enhancements to those systems.

[51 FR 45330, Dec. 18, 1986, as amended at 54 FR 41973, Oct. 13, 1989]

§ 433.112 FFP for design, development, installation or enhancement of mechanized claims processing and information retrieval systems.

(a) FFP is available at the 90 percent rate in State expenditures for the design, development, installation, or enhancement of a mechanized claims processing and information retrieval system only if the APD is approved by HCFA prior to the State’s expenditure of funds for these purposes.

(b) HCFA will approve the system described in the APD if the following conditions are met:

(1) HCFA determines the system is likely to provide more efficient, economical, and effective administration of the State plan.

(2) The system meets the system requirements and performance standards in Part 11 of the State Medicaid Manual, as periodically amended.

(3) The system is compatible with the claims processing and information retrieval systems used in the administration of Medicare for prompt eligibility

verification and for processing claims for persons eligible for both programs.

(4) The system supports the data requirements of peer review organizations established under Part B of title XI of the Act.

(5) The State owns any software that is designed, developed, installed or improved with 90 percent FFP.

(6) The Department has a royalty free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use and authorize others to use, for Federal Government purposes, software, modifications to software, and documentation that is designed, developed, installed or enhanced with 90 percent FFP.

(7) The costs of the system are determined in accordance with 45 CFR 74.171.

(8) The Medicaid agency agrees in writing to use the system for the period of time specified in the advance planning document approved by HCFA or for any shorter period of time that HCFA determines justifies the Federal funds invested.

(9) The agency agrees in writing that the information in the system will be safeguarded in accordance with subpart F, part 431 of this subchapter.

(c) Eligibility determination systems are not part of mechanized claims processing and information retrieval systems and are not eligible for 75 percent FFP under this subpart. These systems are also not eligible for 90 percent FFP for any APD approved after November 13, 1989.

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§ 433.113 Reduction of FFP for failure to operate a system and obtain initial approval.

(a) Except as waived under § 433.130 or 433.131, FFP will be reduced as specified in paragraph (b) of this section unless the Medicaid agency has in continuous operation a mechanized claims processing and information retrieval system that meets the following conditions:

(1) The APD for the system was approved by HCFA;

(2) The system is operational by September 30, 1985; and

(3) The system is initially approved by the last day of the fourth quarter that begins after the date the system became operational as determined by HCFA.

(b) HCFA will reduce FFP in expenditures for compensation and training of skilled professional medical personnel and support staff under section 1903(a)(2) of the Act, and for general administration under section 1903(a)(7) of the Act, by the following increments applied separately to those two categories of expenditures:

(1) Five percentage points for the first two quarters beginning after a deadline in paragraph (a) of this section;

(2) An additional five percentage points during each additional two-quarter period, through the quarter in which the State achieves compliance with the conditions for initial operation or initial approval of an operating system. FFP reductions will not exceed 25 percentage points for each type of reduction.

(c) The amount of FFP (determined under section 1903(a)(3)(B)) that would be available retroactively for operating a system that later receives initial approval will be reduced by HCFA by the same percentage points for the identical periods of time described in subparagraph (b)(1) of this section, until the system is initially approved. No reduction will be made after the first quarter during which the system is initially approved.

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§ 433.114 Procedures for obtaining initial approval; notice of decision.

(a) To obtain initial approval, the Medicaid agency must inform HCFA in writing that the system meets the conditions specified in § 433.116(c) through (h).

(b) If HCFA disapproves the system, or determines that the system met requirements for initial approval on a date later than the date required under § 433.113(a)(3), the notice will include—

(1) The findings of fact upon which the determination was made; and