

Returning Accelerated Payments

With the recent CARES Act distribution to providers, many hospitals have been inquiring whether there is a way to return their Medicare Accelerated Payments in a lump sum without having to go through the complicated – and often messy – recoupment process. Noridian recently confirmed that if you're in their jurisdiction, you can use the Non-MSP Voluntary Check Form, found [here](#).

If you choose to return your payments in lieu of recoupment, we recommend using reason code 13, stating “COVID-19 Accelerated Payments return” in the additional information box. You must have a separate form and check for each PTAN and NPI combination you wish to return. For example, if you are returning funds received for a hospital, swing bed, and rural health clinic, you will fill out three forms and submit three separate checks. Other MACs are likely to also have a similar process in place, as this is the typical guidance coming from CMS. While we have not confirmed with Novitas, we expect they will use the Return of Monies to Medicare form 8322-1, found [here](#).

Closing

If you have any further questions or concerns, feel free to reach out to me at 509.321.9476.

Kami Matzek

CPA, Senior Manager

509.321.9476

kmatzek@dzacpa.com



Dingus, Zarecor & Associates PLLC
12015 E Main Ave Spokane Valley WA 99206
509.242.0874 | dzacpa.com