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Emdeon Receivables Analytics HIPAA 5010 Readiness

The January 1, 2012 HIPAA 5010 conversion date is fast approaching. While Emdeon encourages all providers to be ready to submit transactions using the new standards in advance of the deadline, we want you to be aware that Emdeon Receivables Analytics has developed tools and processes which can ease the transition to these new standards.

Emdeon has also played a leadership role in the HIPAA 5010 transition with industry-wide trade organizations such as X12, NCPDP, WEDI and HIMSS. We have provided subject matter expert testimony to the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics and we continue to serve as an authority for panel discussions and special interest groups nationwide. Emdeon has completed HHS Level 1 Compliance (Internal readiness) and additional information is included below regarding Emdeon's plans for HHS Level 2 Compliance (Testing with trading partners).

How will 5010 impact my organization and Emdeon Receivables Analytics?

The HIPAA 5010 conversion will impact all payers and submitters. Emdeon has an active plan to help submitters and payers convert successfully to 5010 format. Emdeon Receivables Analytics has implemented systems which will ease this transition to 5010 while still affording flexibility for submitters who may be unable to meet compliance deadlines. These enhancements limit the need to budget significant amounts of money towards an upgrade specifically or exclusively due to the HIPAA 5010 format regulations.

Many payers have used the 5010 transition to reassess their processing systems and data content to ensure they meet ANSI guidelines, best practices and the needs of their provider base. Potential payer changes may include:

- Modified search logic: Many payers have revised published search criteria to require multi-criteria eligibility inquiries
- National Provider Identification (NPI) enforcement: As systems are updated, payers are applying stricter enforcement of NPI requirements
- Additional response details: 5010 responses are more likely to contain co-pay, deductibles and other coverage qualifiers
- Transaction standardization: 5010 brings tighter informational standards and removal of message segments and other data fields which caused significant response variability in the 4010 format

Payers could fall into two different categories when converting to 5010:

No Additional Product Updates Required – The payer makes minor changes to their transactions that can be handled by Emdeon internally mapping 4010 to 5010. The initial mapping system updates will begin in September and no client changes are expected.

Additional Product Update Required – The payer introduces changes to either the input or response which require a system update. Emdeon will be contacting providers as we are made aware of major payer's changes to coordinate product updates as needed.

My organization submits to Emdeon Receivables Analytics in X12 and is ready to begin the migration to 5010:

X12 submitters which currently submit in X12 4010 format and would like to begin testing 5010 should contact Emdeon Receivables Analytics at rasupport@emdeon.com to schedule system testing for payers ready for conversion.

My organization submits to Emdeon Receivables Analytics in X12 and is not ready to migrate to 5010:

X12 4010 submitters which do not intend to immediately migrate to 5010 may continue to submit in 4010 format until notified by Emdeon that a change is required. Emdeon will manage the process of 4010/5010 up and down conversion on your behalf.

My organization submits to Emdeon Receivables Analytics in a proprietary format:

X12 submitters which currently submit in X12 4010 format and would like to begin testing 5010 should contact Emdeon Receivables Analytics at rasupport@emdeon.com to schedule system testing for payers ready for conversion. Your support specialist will provide payers lists and documentation as well as advice on known 5010 changes.

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How do I obtain additional information about HIPAA 5010?

Emdeon has been leading the healthcare industry with the resources available on our dedicated 5010 website: HIPAA Simplified (www.hipaasimplified.com). This web resource houses business level documentation such as detailed gap analysis tools to help you work through gap analysis as well as testing and timeline information.

To learn more about our HIPAA 5010 readiness plan for Emdeon Receivables Analytics customers, please call 800.797.1993 or email rasupport@emdeon.com.

About HIPAA 5010

On January 16, 2009, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) published rules that will require organizations that transmit protected health information (PHI) to use new compliance standards under the authority of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). These updated standards (Versions 5010 and D.0) are designed to replace the current standards (Versions 4010/4010A1 and 5.1) to promote greater efficiency in electronic transactions. Compliance with the new HIPAA 5010 and NCPDP D.0 standards is required by January 1, 2012.



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