

**EDI MEDICAL BILL IMPLEMENTATION
MEETING MINUTES**

July 17, 2008
9:00 am to 10:00 am

PRESENT: **Gayle Parrish, Colin Turner, Juerg Kunz, Nathan Johnson, Win Lombardi, Karen Snipes, Brian Nelson**

ABSENT: **Nanci Johnston**

Teleconference with trading partners:

Participants were: WCD EDI team, Ingenix, CS Stars, PMSI, Corvel, HealtheSystems, Gallagher Bassett, Coventry, Express Scripts, Bunch & Associates, StrataCare

Colin introduced Brian Nelson to the group. Brian is another department IT member and will be working with Colin to be trained as a back-up to the program.

Gayle mentioned some updates to the Web page that she had made during the past week: Updated FAQs, updated Naming Convention document, corrected link to current Rules, 7/10/08 teleconference notes.

Colin went over improvements that were made to the reporting system during the past week. He will continue to provide improvement updates each week that will be added to the meeting minutes and posted for others to access.

Improvements since 7/10/08:

- File extensions are ok. Acks will still not have extensions.
- Total charged per line is now correctly discovered to compare against total paid. **DN572 Drugs/Supplies Billed Amount** was not properly taken into account before. This caused 001 errors for DN731, 732, 733.
- The 824's GS01 now has value of "AG." It was "HC;" a copy/paste error from the 997 code.
- The 824's GS02 and GS03 now have no spaces. It was a copy/paste error from ISA code.
- Error 039 – no match on the database – will only appear if a transaction for which the insurer is reporting is rejected. The error will only appear at the batch level and only one time per insurer. This will not cause a batch to be rejected.
- Error 042 – not statutorily valid – is removed.
- No one has passed the 824 edits yet, although some would have if not for the DN572 problem.
- When DN647 and DN643 (rendering bill provider line) were both missing, then Colin sent error 001 for DN647, (later changed to DN643). After research, Colin removed the edit entirely on 7/16/08 because both 647 and 643 are optional. Missing data will not trigger a reject.
- RED01 has "BLANK DATA SENT" with the 001-missing required element
- Colin is working on the ability to remove a single file from the database. His goal is to have this completed next week. This will allow him to rerun a file after we find and fix an error in our programming, without the reporter having to resubmit the file. (The reporters will receive two sets of acknowledgments for that file when this happens.)

Approximately fifteen files have been processed during the past week. Two were not properly named and those reporters will be notified. WCD is working to return files to reporters the day after they have been submitted. If a file is submitted on a Friday it should be processed during the night and returned on Saturday. If it is filed on Saturday or Sunday it will not be processed until Monday and will be returned on Tuesday.

Question: There have been errors with the MJ code for minutes which is causing rejection.

Answer: WCD will check into this problem.

Question: There have been questions regarding putting blank spaces into the field. Has this been sufficiently explained?

Answer: Example: A segment is filled in with any required data in its appropriate sequence (with all leading and intervening unfilled data elements represented by asterisks, followed by the segment terminator when all reported data has been included. No blank spaces are ever used. Do not put blanks between the asterisks, and do not send blank spaces in “unfilled” data elements that Oregon does not require.

Question: It has been noticed that within the GS segment, are there GS03 spaces after the receiver codes?

Answer: Colin caught this and has taken care of it.

Question: For the testing phase, do we have to send current files?

Answer: During the testing phase old files can be used (payments before 7/1/08, or payments to another state. Just change the jurisdiction to “OR” in your file name.

Question: Once the testing phase is completed, do reporters have to send files weekly or can they be sent twice a month?

Answer: After testing twice a month will be fine.

Gayle encouraged everybody to continue to submit their questions via email or phone calls.

Teleconference ended.

Next meeting: Thursday, July 24, 2008, 9:00 a.m., Room 3D. A teleconference will take place with the trading partners during this meeting.