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DHS compliance deadline: December 30, 2005

After December 30, 2005, DHS will no longer be able to accept eligibility inquiries or electronic claims in the NSF and UB-92 formats on the Bulletin Board for covered entities because these methods are not HIPAA-compliant.

270/271 eligibility transactions

OMAP has been successfully testing with Oregon Community Health Information Network (OCHIN), a pilot, trading partner for the 270/271 real-time eligibility transactions. NW Dental will also begin pilot testing the 270/271 real time eligibility transactions.

OMAP is still looking for a trading partner to test the 270 batch eligibility transactions. If you are interested in piloting these, please email the EDI Registration team at DHS.HIPAAtesting@state.or.us or call 503-947-5347.

276/277 claims transactions

National Data Corporation (NDC) has agreed to pilot 276/277 batch claims inquiry transactions. OMAP is still looking for a trading partner to test the 276/277 real time claims inquiry transactions. If you are interested, please contact the EDI Registration team at DHS.HIPAAtesting@state.or.us or call 503-947-5347.

Testing with new CMS Coordination of Benefits Contractor (COBC)

OMAP has begun testing in the 837 formats with the new Medicare Coordination of Benefits Contractor (COBC). Once OMAP completes testing with the COBC, OMAP will begin the termination of contracts with the current intermediaries (Regence, Noridian and Cigna) and all crossover claims will process exclusively through this contractor.

As OMAP nears a successful completion to the testing process, we will send out notifications and timelines to transfer over to the new COBC. If you have questions, please contact OMAP's COBC Coordinator, Patricia Krewson, at 503-945-5805 or email her at patricia.krewson@state.or.us.

Bulletin Board for NSF/UB-92 providers

Since June 30, 2005, OMAP has denied access to all providers that were still submitting claims on the Bulletin Board, except non-emergency transportation brokers. There were a few providers that were granted a 30-day extension if they were actively testing in the 837 format or expressed extenuating circumstances. If you have any questions, please contact the EDI Outreach team at 800-527-5772.

Vendor Fair

July 13, 2005, OMAP held our first EDI Vendor Fair. Twenty-seven vendors and almost eighty provider offices attended. The fair was open to all providers to come and evaluate the electronic claim submissions, eligibility inquiry, and claim inquiry services that are available to them from a variety of sources.

Both the providers and vendors deemed the event a great success. Vendors offered resources and education on the DHS HIPAA EDI process.

OMAP is committed to helping our providers move into the future of electronic claims submissions. We would like to help you get paid faster and the first time. If you were unable to attend the vendor fair and would like more information about the vendors that attended, please contact the EDI Outreach Team at 800-527-5772.

Trading Partner Agreement

For the first time since its creation, the DHS Trading Partner Agreement (TPA) has been revised. The changes are minor housekeeping changes and do not affect any TPA currently in use and approved by DHS. The revised document is effective immediately and will be available under the EDI Packet heading on our Web site, http://egov.oregon.gov/DHS/admin/hipaa/testing_reg.shtml.

HIPAA Web pages

Please keep an eye on OMAP's [HIPAA Web site](#). We are in the process of adding new pages and making the layout more 'user' friendly. We are also encouraging all providers interested in electronic billing to eSubscribe. We will be posting new information, as it becomes available, on a continuing basis. We don't want you to miss out on anything.

Coordination of Benefits survey

On July 7, 2005, OMAP sent out 807 Coordination of Benefits (COB) surveys to providers OMAP identified as submitting their COB/crossover claims on paper OMAP505's, but who have demonstrated the ability to send them electronically in the 837 formats. We have asked for all surveys to be faxed back to the Outreach Team by July 29, 2005.

The survey asks providers to identify any barriers they encounter in submitting their crossover claims electronically and asks if they would like OMAP to contact them with additional help in converting to electronic submissions.

The surveys are coming back very quickly and we are in the process of contacting the providers and compiling the data.

OMAP released a [third HIPAA bulletin](#) this month that will be specific to Coordination of Benefits and some of the barriers we have identified to date with possible solutions. It's posted on the OHP provider announcement page.

If you have any questions or need help with this process, please contact the HIPAA Registration and Testing team at DHS.HIPAAtesting@state.or.us or call us at 503-947-5347.