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Office of Medical Assistance Programs**

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**Topic:** Medical Benefits

**Subject:** Provider announcement: Edifecs contract ends

**Applies to (check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees             | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Children, Adults and Families | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors and People with Disabilities   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): DHS staff and others identified on the SPD, CAF, OMHAS and OMAP transmittal lists |

**Message:** The DHS contract with Edifecs, an electronic data testing service hosting CommerceDesk, ends April 15, 2006. OMAP is posting the attached message to notify electronic claims submitters of how this change affects them.

*If you have any questions about this information, contact:*

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To: Electronic Data Interchange users

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Subject: End of Edifecs contract services

Funding for the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) contract with Edifecs, a third party testing service, will end on April 15, 2006. For three years they have provided CommerceDesk for all Oregon DHS Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) submitters as a way to see how accurately their systems create HIPAA-compliant EDI transactions at no cost to the provider. This intermediary service gave DHS staff time to concentrate on business-to-business (B2B) testing.

At the end of the Edifecs contract, we will automatically migrate all EDI submitters not in production to B2B testing for current and/or future EDI transactions under test. You will receive a B2B testing invitation with further instructions when the migration is complete.

DHS strongly encourages initial testing of submission files at <[www.commercedesk.com](http://www.commercedesk.com)> (details and instructions are on their site), or any other such testing resource you may have. This will ensure that your test file meets the federally mandated HIPAA Transaction and Codes Sets standards as prescribed in the HIPAA EDI Implementation Guides, and will serve to reduce your overall testing time with OR-DHS.

Before testing with us, be sure your file contains the data/edits outlined in the corresponding OR-DHS Companion Guides found online at:

<[www.oregon.gov/DHS/admin/hipaa/guides\\_man.shtml#cg](http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/admin/hipaa/guides_man.shtml#cg)>.

We encourage you to contact the OR-DHS EDI Support Team any time you have questions or concerns:

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