



Claimsnet 5010 Update – September 2010

Background and Timeline

The Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has adopted ASC X12 version 5010 and NCPDP version D.0 as the next HIPAA standard for HIPAA covered transactions. The final rule was published on January 16, 2009. Some of the important dates in the implementation process are:

The new X12 v. 5010 standard will replace the current X12 v. 4010/4010A1 format for all transaction types, including professional and institutional claims, ERAs, claim status inquiry/response and eligibility.

The stated purpose for the new standards is to;

- Increase transaction uniformity
- Support pay-for-performance
- Streamline reimbursement transactions
- Support ICD-10-CM codification

For more information visit the CMS Website at
http://www.cms.gov/ElectronicBillingEDITrans/18_5010D0.asp

Claimsnet will be fully compliant for processing both ASC X12 v. 5010 and the ICD-10-CM code sets and will follow the timelines established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

CMS Timelines along with definition of compliance levels are;

Effective Date of the regulation: March 17, 2009

Level I Compliance by: December 31, 2010

Level II Compliance by: December 31, 2011

All covered entities have to be fully compliant on: January 1, 2012

Level I compliance means "that a covered entity can demonstrably create and receive compliant transactions, resulting from the compliance of all design/build activities and internal testing."

Level II compliance means "that a covered entity has completed end-to-end testing with each of its trading partners, and is able to operate in production mode with the new versions of the standards."

5010 Transactions

Beginning in 2009 and throughout 2010, Claimsnet has been actively addressing each of the requirements of the new standards. The design and build activities are completed for several of the applications and internal testing is under way. All activities associated with Level 1 compliance will be completed well ahead of the December 31, 2010 compliance date.

Claimsnet is currently working with customers and trading partners for the exchange of files to be used in completion of internal testing and the end-to-end testing process. Beginning early in the first quarter of 2011, Claimsnet will begin external testing with customers and trading partners.

Following successful completion of the testing phase, Claimsnet will accommodate the upgrade requirements of its customers as needed. Legacy formats, both inbound and outbound, will continue to be supported by Claimsnet for an indefinite period. Claimsnet will not require any of its customers or trading partners to convert to the new standards.

ICD-10

Claimsnet will be fully compliant for the ICD-10-CM code sets according to the October 1, 2013 timeline established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

5010 Assistance and/or Questions

Any questions relating to 5010 should be directed to Helpdesk@claimsnet.com