

Implementation of HIPAA Formats for DME Trading Partners

Medicare will be implementing the new versions of the X12 and NCPDP formats in order to be compliant with HIPAA.

The X12 transactions are the 837 claims, 835 electronic remittance, 276 claim status request and 277 claim status response and will move to the 5010A1 versions.

For NCPDP, claims transactions will move to the version D.0 Telecommunications Standard.

Transactions Affected by the Errata Version	Base Version	Errata Version
837 Health Care Claim: Professional	005010X222	005010X222A1
835 Health Care Claim Payment/Advice	005010X221	005010X221A1
276/277 Status Inquiry and Response	005010X212	N/A
999 Implementation Acknowledgment For Health Care Insurance	005010X231	005010X231A1
277CA Claim Acknowledgement	005010X214	N/A
National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) Version D.0 of the Telecom Standard	D.0	D.0 April 2009

CEDI has created a page on our Web site dedicated to the upcoming transition to the 5010 and D.0 formats. Go to the CEDI Web site at <http://www.ngscedi.com> and select "5010 and D.0 Implementation Information".

There is an Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) as well as links to the CMS 5010 and D.0 web page and to the X12 and NCPDP websites to purchase the guides.

We are working with CMS to create the Companion Documents for the 5010 and D.0 transactions and will release those as soon as they are completed.

The timeline for implementing 5010 and D.0 is:

- January 2011 – Vendors and those who do their own programming (also referred to as in-house programmers) may begin testing the base versions of the X12 transactions and NCPDP D.0.
- April 2011 – Vendors and in-house programmers may begin testing the 5010 Errata or A1 versions of the X12 transactions.
- Once vendors have passed testing of the X12 5010A1 versions and/or the NCPDP D.0, they may begin moving their customers into production.
- Trading Partners will only be able to move into production for the A1 version of 5010 but will be able to test the base version prior to April 2011.
- Once in-house programmers have passed testing of the X12 A1 versions and/or the NCPDP D.0, they may move into production.

- As of January 1, 2012 ONLY 5010A1 and D.0 transactions will be allowed.

Vendors and in-house programmers are only required to test the claims transactions.

They may choose to test the other transactions including the 276/277 and 835 transactions.

If a Trading Partner elects to test the 5010 835 electronic remittance advice, it will be produced from the DME MACs production environment in parallel with the current production 4010A1 ERA.

The 276 transaction can be sent as a test file to produce the CEDI 277 created response showing any front end errors on the 276. However, 276 files sent with a "Test" indicator will not be forwarded to the DME MAC to produce the 277 Claim Status Response. CEDI recommends testing of the 276/277 be done by sending a small 5010 276 file (no more than 5 requests) with a "Production" indicator. If the 5010 276 passes the CEDI front end edits, it will be forwarded to the DME MAC to produce the 277 Response transaction. The production 277 will then be returned for the Trading Partner to review.

As part of the transition to 5010 and D.0, the following reports will be returned:

- TRN will continue to be sent by CEDI for 5010 and D.0 as it is today for 4010A1 and 5.1
- TA1 will be sent by CEDI for 5010 837 and 276 transactions only when requested by sending the indicator to receive the TA1 within the 837 and 276 (ISA14; 0 = No 1 = Yes)
- 999 for X12 5010 837 and 276 transactions
- 277CA for X12 837 transactions
- 277 claim status response for X12 version 5010 276 transactions as it is today for 4010A1
- NCPDP Transmission Response Report for version D.0
- DME MAC Front End Report with accepted claims received and CMN rejections as it is today for X12 4010A1 and 5010 claim submissions

The following reports will no longer be sent for 5010 and D.0

- 997 for X12 837 and 276 transactions
- CEDI GenResponse for X12 837 transactions
- CEDI NCPDP Error Report for NCPDP version 5.1 transactions
- CEDI Submission Summary Report NCPDP version 5.1 transactions

The 277CA will be replacing the CEDI GenResponse report and is an X12 formatted transaction. It will be necessary for software vendors to support the 277CA for their customers and we are expecting vendors will create a tool to translate the 277CA into a readable format. CEDI will not provide support to Trading Partners in how to read a 277CA.

The current CEDI NCPDP error report will be replaced by the NCPDP Transmission Response Report, and like the 277CA, will need to be translated into a readable format by vendors for their customers.

PC-ACE Pro32 Users

The PC-ACE Pro32 software will be updated for the new HIPAA X12 version 5010 claims format and made available in 2011. CEDI will provide notification via the CEDI Listserv and Web site as soon as the X12 version 5010 of the PC-ACE Pro32 software is available.

Express Plus Users

The Common Electronic Data Interchange no longer supports the Express Plus software; therefore it will not be updated for the new HIPAA X12 version 5010 format. All suppliers using Express Plus should have converted to PC-ACE Pro32 or another software program as of April 1, 2010.