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Waiving of the Certification Requirements for ANSI X12 v5010 and NCPDP D.0 for current electronic claim submitters

In preparation for the CMS federally mandated upgrades for electronic health care transactions on January 1, 2012, the department's intent was to require all electronic claim submitters to certify their ANSI X12 v5010 and NCPDP vD.0 software. This certification validates the submitter's ability to submit a compliant v5010 or vD.0 claim to PROMISe™. As per the federal mandate, beginning January 1, 2012, the department will only accept v5010 or vD.0 standard transactions.

There are some submitters who have complied with the Department's request and we applaud their efforts. However, we are finding that there are still a significant number of submitters who have not certified their v5010 or vD.0 software. Therefore, the department is temporarily waiving the certification requirement for existing electronic submitters through March 31, 2012.

Effective January 1, 2012, if a provider's software is not certified, the provider will be allowed to submit v5010 or vD.0 claims; however we cannot guarantee that the claim will meet ANSI X12 5010/NCPDP D.0 standards to allow PROMISe™ to accept the claims which may delay payment. Certified submitters will receive priority assistance regarding claim submission issues. The department continues to strongly recommend certifying v5010 and vD.0 software prior to submitting electronic claims.

Beginning April 1, 2012, all existing electronic submitters who have not successfully submitted a claim to PROMISe™ will have to go through the certification process or their electronic files will be rejected. New submitters to PROMISe™ will have to certify their software beginning January 1, 2012.

If you use a clearing house or a third party software program, the department has provided a list of vendors who are certified, or registered for certification at the following link. Providers should contact their vendors to find if their software is v5010 or vD.0 compliant.

http://www.dpw.state.pa.us/ucmprd/groups/webcontent/documents/communication/p_011788.pdf

Providers who use Provider Electronic Solutions (PES) software or the PROMISe™ Internet Portal are not required to certify. If you use PES, ensure you have downloaded the most up-to-date version (v3.58) before submitting your claims after January 1, 2012.

<http://www.dhs.pa.gov/provider/promise/certification/index.htm>

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