

Health Insurance Oversight System (HIOS)

Plan Finder – Issuer User Manual



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1 Introduction

The Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight (CCIIO), a division of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), is charged with helping implement many provisions of the Affordable Care Act. CCIIO oversees the implementation of the provisions related to private health insurance including providing oversight for the issuer-based product data reports that populate <http://www.healthcare.gov>.

The Health Insurance Oversight System (HIOS) was created to facilitate several types of data collections from the Dept of Insurance for states/territories as well as insurance companies (also known as “Issuers”) that sell health insurance coverage. The collected data is aggregated with other data sources and made public on the consumer-facing website.

Plan Finder is the specific module within HIOS responsible for collecting issuer general identification information, product information, quarterly application data for each product, and requesting component IDs for products. There are three available mechanisms for the issuers to submit their data: Microsoft Excel templates, XSD template for XML submissions and web-entry forms. These technical instructions explain the special features and other technical aspects related to the use of each submission mechanism.

The Office of Consumer Information & Insurance Oversight (CCIIO) strongly recommends that users read this document thoroughly before using the tool. Failure to precisely follow the technical instructions may result in:

- Submission Error
- Loss of data
- Rejected file submission

1.1 Instructional Layout

The term ‘user’ is used throughout this document to refer to a person who has acquired access to complete submissions within the HIOS Plan Finder module. Each action that is required by the user is indicated via step by step bullets. If an action requires the user to select a specific button or link on the screen, the name of the item to look for will be in ***bold italics***. For example:

1. Select ***OK***.

1.2 Instructional Layout

The HIOS application works within any of the following compatible Internet browsers:

1. Internet Explorer (version 7 or higher)
2. Mozilla FireFox (version 5 or higher)
3. Chrome (version 9.0 or higher)

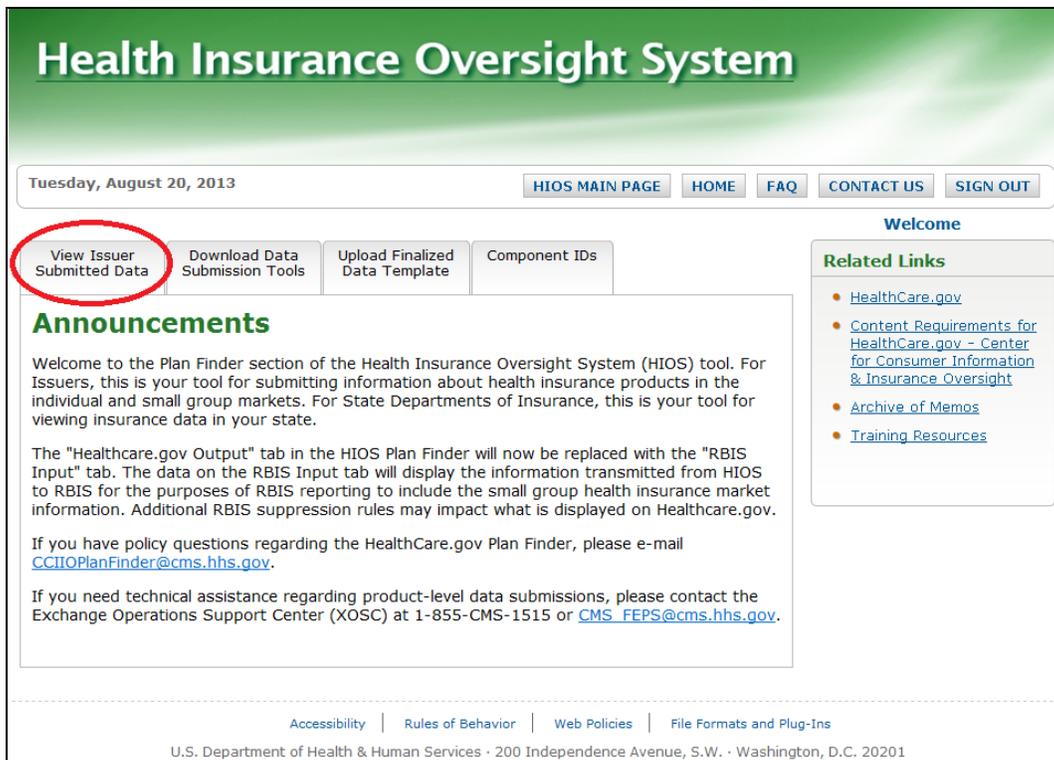
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2 View Issuer Submitted Data

The Issuer Data Submission Form consists of the following two worksheets within the same spreadsheet that must be completed prior to submission:

- Issuer General Info- Displays the data entered for the issuer’s general information, contact information, customer service contact details and rating data.
- Products Offering Info- Displays the reporting of the issuer’s products and application data for each product.

Figure 1: Plan Finder Announcement page



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2.1 Issuer General Information

The Issuer General Information page displays the data entered for the issuer’s general information, contact information, customer service contact details and rating data. Users shall be able to navigate through all the issuer contacts registered through the HIOS portal.

The View Issuer Submitted Data tab is displayed below in Figure 2.

Figure 2: View Issuer Submitted Data tab

View Issuer Submitted Data	Download Data Submission Tools	Upload Finalized Data Template	Component IDs
Issuer General Information		Products Offering Report	
RBIS Input			
Issuer Name: Company 0505 - PA Submission Uploaded Date: 8/19/2013 3:56:52 PM Application Data for Quarter: Q2, 2013 [Apr. 1 - Jun. 30, 2013] Data Last Previewed By:			
Issuer General Information for Issuer: Company 0505 - PA			
Edit Issuer General Information			
Corporate Information			
Issuer Legal Name:	Company 0505	State:	PA
Issuer ID:	53041	Issuer Marketing Name:	
Market Coverage:	Both	Federal EIN:	000000505
NAIC Company Code:		NAIC Group Code:	
Address			
Address Line 1:	111 Main Street		
Address Line 2:			
City:	Fairfax		
State:	VA		
Zip:	20151		
Individual and Small Group Market			
Do you offer individual? Yes			
WebSite: http://www.test.com			
Do you offer small group? Yes			
WebSite: http://www.test.com			
Customer Service Contact - Individual Market			
Local Number:	17035551111		
Extension:			
Toll Free Number:			
TTY:			
WebSite:	http://www.test.com		
Customer Service Contact - Small Group Market			
Local Number:	17035551111		
Extension:			
Toll Free Number:			
TTY:			
WebSite:	http://www.test.com		

Issuer Contacts

Contact Role	Primary or Backup	Name	Phone Number	Extension	E-mail
Attestation Contact	CEO Contact	Yosemite Sam	14105550000		yosemitesam.ogitest@yahoo.com
Data Submission Contact - Individual Market	Primary Contact	Daffy Duck	14105551212		daffyduck.ogitest@yahoo.com
Data Submission Contact - Individual Market	Primary Contact	Daffy Duck	14105551212		daffyduck.ogitest@yahoo.com
Data Submission Contact - Small Group Market	Primary Contact	Daffy Duck	14105551212		daffyduck.ogitest@yahoo.com
Data Submission Validation Contact - Individual Market	Primary Contact	Donald Duck	14105558677		donaldduck.ogitest@yahoo.com
Data Submission Validation Contact - Small Group Market	Primary Contact	Donald Duck	14105558677		donaldduck.ogitest@yahoo.com

Ratings - Individual Market

Is Issuer rated by any rating company in the last two years? No

Rating Company	Rating Type	Rating	Rating Company Other/Describe	Rating Type Other/Describe
No records to display.				

Ratings - Small Group Market

Is Issuer rated by any rating company in the last two years? No

Rating Company	Rating Type	Rating	Rating Company Other/Describe	Rating Type Other/Describe
No records to display.				

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2.2 Product Offering Information

The Products Offering Report page displays the reporting of the issuer’s products and application data for each product.

The Product Offering Report page is displayed below in Figure 3.

Figure 3: Product Offering Report page

View Issuer Submitted Data
Download Data Submission Tools
Upload Finalized Data Template
Component IDs

Issuer General Information
Products Offering Report
RBIS Input

Issuer Name: Company 0505 - PA

Submission Uploaded Date: 8/19/2013 3:56:52 PM

Application Data for Quarter: Q2, 2013 [Apr. 1 - Jun. 30, 2013]

Data Last Previewed By:

Product Level Offering Report for Issuer: Company 0505 - PA

[Add New Product](#)

To edit the data elements of an existing product, please select its Product ID from the table below.

Note: Please click "Show" buttons, below, to display the full list of data.

Hide Product Description
Hide Product Information
Hide Product URLs

Show Product Application Data

Product ID	Product Name	Enrollment Code/Group Number	SERFF Number	Effective Start Date	Effective End Date	Product Enrollment	Product Type	Other Product Type Desc	Association Product?	Individual or Small Group	Grandfathered Product?
53041PA001	Small Group HMO			1/1/2012 12:00:00 AM		111	HMO		No	Small Group	No
53041PA002	Individual HMO			1/1/2012 12:00:00 AM		112	HMO		No	Individual	No

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2.3 RBIS Input tab

The RBIS Input tab displays open products, derived data elements for these products that will be passed to RBIS before publishing information on Healthcare.gov, and finally the reasons behind the derived data elements. Closed products will not display on this page.

The RBIS Input page is displayed below in Figure 4.

Figure 4: RBIS Input page

RBIS Input for Issuer: Company 0505 - PA

The data displayed below is communicated to RBIS. Additional RBIS suppression rules may apply before the data is published on Healthcare.gov.

Product ID	Product Name	Percent of Up-Rated Offers	Percent of Applications Denied	Website Address (Formulary)	Formulary Flag	Website Address (Provider Network)	Provider Flag	Support from Finder
53041PA001	Small Group HMO	10% of up-rated offers and offers with restricted coverage terms or increased consumer premium, based on health status.	10% who applied were denied based on health status.	Incorrect Link Provided	URL has failed quality evaluation	URL Pending Quality Evaluation	Quality Evaluation still required	No
53041PA002	Individual HMO	10% of up-rated offers and offers with restricted coverage terms or increased consumer premium, based on health status.	10% who applied were denied based on health status.	Incorrect Link Provided	URL has failed quality evaluation	URL Pending Quality Evaluation	Quality Evaluation still required	No

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3 Microsoft Excel Submissions

Plan Finder Submission users can download pre-populated templates in either Excel 2003 version or Excel 2007/2010 version. The system will also allow submission users to upload the finalized submission files in either format.

3.1 Excel Macro Settings

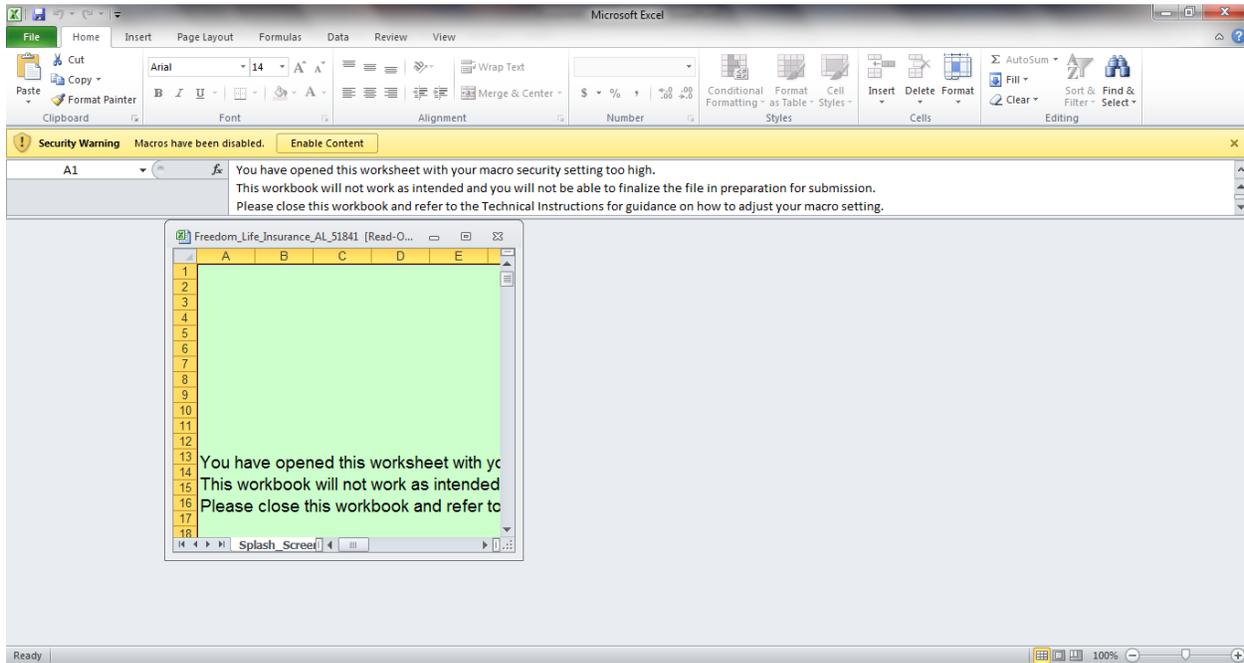
For the Issuer Data Entry Form to work properly, computer configurations must be set to satisfy the following requirements:

1. Have Microsoft Excel 2003, 2007 or 2010 installed on the user's machine.
2. Enable the Excel standard toolbar.
3. Set the Excel macro security settings as follows:
 - For Excel 2003, set Excel macro security settings to “**Medium (recommended).**”
 1. Select **Tools** from the menu bar.
 2. Select **Macro** on the dropdown menu.
 3. Select **Security**.
 4. Select **Medium (recommended)**.
 5. Select **OK**.
 6. When the workbook is opened, the workbook will fully function.
 - For Excel 2007 or Excel 2010, set Excel macro security settings to “**Disable all macros with notifications.**”
 1. Select the **Office Button** in the upper left corner of the window.
 2. Select the **Excel Options** button at the bottom of the menu.
 3. Select **Trust Center** on the left navigation pane.
 4. Select **Trust Center Settings**.
 5. Select **Macro Settings** on the left navigation pane.
 6. Select the radio button in front of **Disable all macros with notifications**.
 7. Select **OK**.
 8. When the workbook is opened, select the **Options** button and select **Enable Content** then select **OK**.

The Excel 2007/2010 Enable Content message is displayed below in Figure 5.

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Figure 5: Excel 2007/2010 Enable Content message



3.2 Working Files versus Finalized Files

The Issuer Data Submission Form employs the following two versions of the workbook that serve different purposes throughout the process:

- Working files – These are read-write enabled files that allow users to enter data in specified input fields. Users may edit, save, name and re-name working versions of these files.
- Finalized files – These are read-only files created by a process called finalization, which modifies the format of working files to prepare them for submission to CMS. These files have specific naming conventions that must be followed in order to be successfully submitted. The Validate and Finalize macros are built into the template.

The Issuer Data Submission Form employs macro buttons and shortcut keys as displayed in Figure 6 below.

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Figure 6: Macro buttons on Excel Issuer Data Submission Template

OMB Control Number: 0938-1086

Worksheet 1 - Issuer General Information				
Validate		Validate & Finalize		Format & Print Preview
1. Corporate Information				
Issuer Legal Name:	Company: 0505	State:	PA	Issuer ID:
Federal EIN:	00000505	Market Coverage:	Both	Issuer Marketing Name:
NAIC Company Code:		NAIC Group Code:		
2. Address				
Address Line 1:	111 Main Street			
Address Line 2:				
City:	Fairfax			
State:	VA			
Zip:	20151	4 digit:		
3. Individual and Small Group Market				
1) Do you offer Individual market?	Yes			
2) Enter the web address for the Individual Market website if Yes is entered in C15.	http://www.test.com			
3) Do you offer Small Group market?	Yes			
4) Enter the web address for the Small Group Market website if Yes is entered in C17.	http://www.test.com			
4a. Customer Service Contact – Individual Market				
Local Number:	17035551111	Extension:		
Toll Free Number:				
TTY:				
Website Address:	http://www.test.com			
4b. Customer Service Contact – Small Group Market				
Local Number:	17035551111	Extension:		
Toll Free Number:				
TTY:				
Website Address:	http://www.test.com			
5. Ratings – Individual Market				
Is Issuer rated by any rating company?	No			
Rating Company (rated in the past 2 years)	Rating Type	Rating	Rating Company Other/Describe	Other/Describe
6. Ratings – Small Group Market				
Is Issuer rated by any rating company?	No			
Rating Company (rated in the past 2 years)	Rating Type	Rating	Rating Company Other/Describe	Other/Describe

The following are the names of the buttons (from left to right):

- **Validate** (Shortcut: **CTRL + shift + V**) – This will perform the red circle and critical validations.
- **Validate and Finalize** (Shortcut: **CTRL + shift + S**) - This function will perform the critical validations and create the read-only finalized file.
- **Format and Print Preview** (Shortcut: **CTRL + shift + P**) – This function will format the workbook for printing and display the print preview screen.

Within the application, Excel will allow the user to navigate and perform regular spreadsheet functions. The following are a few special considerations to note:

- **Print** – It is suggested to perform a **Print Preview** prior to printing the workbook to ensure the formatting is as preferred.
 - Use the standard Excel print icon or menu selection.
 - Select the **Format & Print Preview** button within each worksheet.
- **Cut/ Paste** – It is recommended NOT to use the **Cut** or **Paste** function in the Issuer Data Entry Form workbook as it will remove or write over the cell’s predefined formatting.
- **Delete** – It is recommended to use the **Delete** key instead of the space bar to delete cell values from a cell.

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3.3 Download Data Submission Tools

The Download Data Submission Tools tab is displayed below in Figure 7.

Figure 7: Download Data Submission Tools tab

Welcome Daffy Duck

View Issuer Submitted Data **Download Data Submission Tools** Upload Finalized Data Template Component IDs

Issuer Submission Tools

Issuer Submission Tools

If you are submitting Issuer data, please select the Issuer Technical Instructions to download Instructions that detail how to fill out the Excel template and XML file for submission. Please click 'Issuer Data Submission Tool' to download the blank Issuer template in the desired Excel version or 'Issuer Data XSD File' to download the XSD file.

- [Issuer Data XSD File](#)
- [Issuer Technical Instructions](#)

Download a Pre-Populated Issuer Template

Please select a format for the pre-populated issuer template and then select an issuer from the dropdown menu below.

Excel 97-2003 Version (XLS)
 Excel 2007/2010 Version (XLSM)

*Issuer: -- Please select an issuer --

Click the button below to download an Excel template pre-populated with the selected issuer's latest submitted data. You will be prompted to open or save the requested file. Please select Save to save the file to your computer.

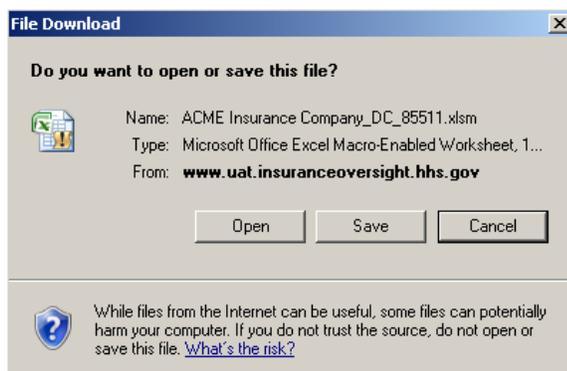
[Download Pre-Populated Issuer Template](#)

The following are the steps to download a pre-populated template:

1. From the *HIOS Main Page*, select *HIOS Issuer Product Data Collection*.
2. Select the *Download Data Submission Tools* tab.
3. Select the *Issuer Submission Tools* link.
4. Select the radio button in front of the Excel version preferred.
5. Select the *Download Pre-Populated Issuer Template* button.

The File Download instruction box is displayed below in Figure 8.

Figure 8: File Download instruction box

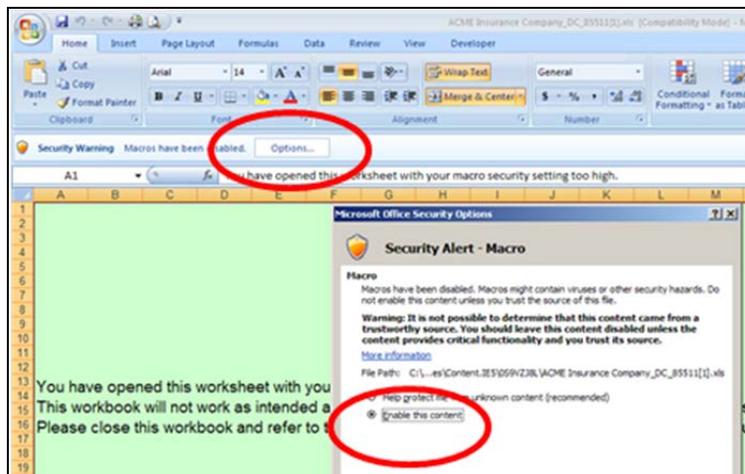


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6. After the system compiles the data, a pop-up window will appear. The user may select to **Open** the file, **Save** the file or **Cancel** the download request.
7. If the user has already updated the macro security settings in Excel as recommended in section 3.1: *Excel Macro Settings*, select **Open**.
8. If the user has not updated the macro security settings in Excel as recommended in section 3.1, then:
 - a. Select **Save**.
 - b. Choose a file location and it is recommended not to change the name of the document at this point.
 - c. When the save is complete, a pop-up window will appear asking to **Open** or **Cancel**. Select **Cancel**. Do not open the workbook.
 - d. Open the Excel application to a blank workbook.
 - e. Update the macro security settings as stated in section 3.1.
 - f. Select the **Open** file icon on the standard toolbar or select **File** menu then **Open**.
 - g. Locate the file and select **Open**.
9. For Excel 2003, select *Options* and **Enable the content**. For Excel 2007 or 2010, select **Enable Content**.

The Excel 2003 Enable the Content message is displayed below in Figure 9.

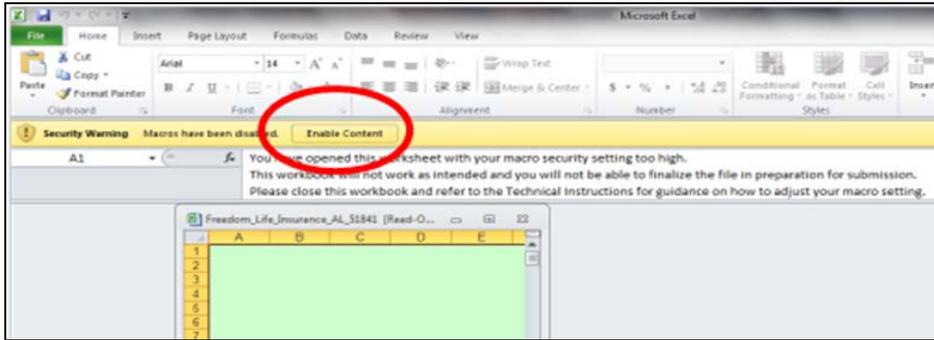
Figure 9: Excel 2003 Enable the Content message



The Excel 2007/2010 Enable Content message is displayed below in Figure 10.

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Figure 10: Excel 2007/2010 Enable Content message



3.4 Issuer General Info Tab

Table 1 below includes the cell location for each data entry field on the Issuer General Info tab along with appropriate values.

Please Note: It is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** to select values from dropdown lists **INSTEAD OF** keying in values. Keying in values may result in the value not being recognized and cause errors that can prevent successful submission.

Table 1: Issuer General Info field chart

Cell Location	Data	Valid Values
C3	Issuer Legal Name	Enter the issuer’s Legal name, up to 100 characters.
C4	Federal EIN	Users do not have the ability to edit this field.
C5	NAIC Company Code	Enter the issuer’s NAIC company code, up to 6 digits. Optional field.
E3	State	Select a state/territory from the drop down.
E4	Market Coverage	Select Individual , Small Group , or Both from the drop down.
E5	NAIC Group Code	Enter the issuer’s 6-digit NAIC Group Number. Optional field.
G3	Issuer ID	This field is not editable. Users will have the ability to copy the value.
G4	Issuer Marketing Name	Enter issuer’s marketing name, up to 100 characters.
C8	Address Line 1	Enter the address for the issuer.
C9	Address line 2	Enter the rest of the address for the issuer. Optional field.

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Cell Location	Data	Valid Values
C10	City	Enter the city name for the issuer.
C11	State	Select a state/territory from the drop down.
C12	Zipcode	Enter a 5 digit zipcode
E12	4 digit	Enter a 4 digit zipcode extension. Optional field.
C15	Individual Market	Select Yes or No from the drop down menu.
C16	Website address for Individual Market website	Enter the website address for the Individual Market. This field is only required if Individual Market question in cell C15 is Yes .
C17	Small Group Market	Select Yes or No from the drop down menu.
C18	Website address for Small Group Market website	Enter the website address for the Small Group Market. This field is only required if user selects 'Yes' to the 'Small Group Market' question in cell C17.
C21	Customer Service Local Number – Individual Market	Please enter the local phone number for the Individual Market Customer Service, up to 15 characters. This field is only required if the user selected Individual or Both in the Market Coverage cell (E4).
C22	Customer Service Toll Free Number - Individual Market	Please enter the toll free number for the Individual Market Customer Service, up to 15 characters. Optional field.
C23	Customer TTY - Individual Market	Enter the phone number for the TTY for the Individual Market Customer Service, up to 15 characters. Optional field.
C24	Customer Website Address - Individual Market	Enter a valid website address for the Individual Market Customer Service. This field is only required if the user selected Individual or Both in the Market Coverage cell (E4).

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Cell Location	Data	Valid Values
E21	Customer Service Phone Number Extension - Individual Market	Enter the phone number extension for Individual Market Customer Service, up to 6 characters. Optional field.
H21	Customer Service Local Number – Small Group Market	Enter the local phone number for the Small Group Market Customer Service, up to 15 characters. This field is only required if the user selected Small Group or Both in the Market Coverage cell (E4).
H22	Customer Service Toll Free Number - Small Group Market	Enter the toll free number for the Small Group Market Customer Service, up to 15 characters. Optional field.
H23	Customer TTY - Small Group Market	Enter the phone number for the TTY for the Small Group Market Customer Service, up to 15 characters. Optional field.
H24	Customer Website Address - Small Group Market	Enter a valid website address for the Small Group Market Customer Service. This field is only required if the user selected Small Group or Both in the Market Coverage cell (E4).
J21	Customer Service Phone Number Extension - Small Group Market	Enter the phone number extension for Small Group Market Customer Service, up to 6 characters. Optional field.
C45	Individual Market Issuer rated by any rating company	Select Yes or No from the drop down menu.

Enter up to **5** rows of rating information. The system will verify that at least one set of rating data is entered if C45 is **Yes**, indicating the product has been rated by a rating company.

Cell Location	Data	Valid Values
B47	Individual Market Rating Company	Select rating company from the drop down menu. This field is only required if C71 is Yes .
C47	Individual Market Rating type	Select rating from the drop down menu. This field is only required if C71 is Yes .
D47	Individual Market Rating	Enter Rating. This field is only required if C71 is Yes .

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E47	Individual Market Rating Company Other	Enter the rating company if Other/Describe is selected in cell B47.
F47	Individual Market Rating Type Other/Describe	Enter the rating type if Other/Describe is selected in cell B47.
C54	Small Group Market rated by any rating company	Select Yes or No from the drop down menu.
B56	Small Group Market Rating Company	Select rating from the drop down menu. This field is only required if the user selected Yes in cell C54.
C56	Small Group Market Rating type	Enter Rating. This field is only required if the user selected Yes in cell C54.
D56	Small Group Market Rating Company Other	Enter the rating company if the user selected ' Other/Describe ' in cell C54.
E56	Small Group Market Rating Type Other	Enter the rating type if the user selected ' Other/Describe ' in cell B56.
F56	Small Group Market: Rating Type Other/Describe	Enter the rating type ONLY if Rating Type C56 is Other/Describe .

3.5 Product Info Tab

Table 2 below includes the cell location for each data entry field on the Product Info tab, along with appropriate values.

Table 2: Product Info field chart

Cell Location	Data	Valid Values
B3	Product ID	This is a read-only field and should not be used.
C3	Product Name	Enter a product name.
D3	Enrollment code/Group Number	Enter the Enrollment code/Group Number given internally to this product. Optional field.
E3	Product Type	Select product type from the drop down menu.
F3	Other Product Type Description	Enter a product description. This field is only required if the user selected ' Other/Describe ' for the product type.

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Cell Location	Data	Valid Values
G3	Association Product	Select Yes or No from the dropdown.
H3	Product Enrollment	Enter the number of enrollment.
I3	Individual or Small Group	Select Individual or Small Group from the drop down list.
J3	Website address (Benefit at a Glance)	Enter a website address for the benefit description.
K3	Website address (Formulary)	Enter a website address. Optional field.
L3	Website address (Provider Network)	Enter a website address if appropriate. If the product is an indemnity product, and therefore there is no corresponding Provider Network, please enter “ Indemnity ”.
M3	Covers whole state	Select Yes or No from the drop down menu.
N3	Number of Applications Received	Enter the number of applications received for the appropriate quarter designated in cell N1. Number of applications received refers to the total number of applications for enrollment under the product that you processed during a specific quarter. Only include requests for insurance coverage in your number.*
O3	Number of Applications Denied	Enter the number of applications denied for the appropriate quarter designated in cell N1. The number of denials should represent the number of applications that were denied based on health status.*
P3	Number of Up-Rated Offers	Enter the number of up-rated offers for the appropriate quarter designated in cell N1. “Up-rated offers” refers to the number of offers with restricted coverage terms or increased consumer premium, based on health status.*

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Cell Location	Data	Valid Values
Q3	Number of Administrative Disqualifiers	Enter the number of administrative disqualifiers for the appropriate quarter designated in cell N1. Administrative disqualifications refer to those applications which were disqualified for administrative or eligibility reasons, not including health status. These reasons include, but may not be limited to, ineligibility for policy due to non-residency in insurer's defined service area, dependent's age, or legal status.*
R3	SERFF-Number	Enter SERFF-Number. Optional field.
S3	Open or Closed?	Select Open or Closed from the drop down menu.
T3	Closed Reason	Select a reason that the product is closed from the drop down. This field is only required if the user selected Closed in field R3. This dropdown will no longer include the Association Product as the reason.
U3	Other Closed Reason	Enter a Closed Reason in this field. This field is only required if the user selected Other in field S3.
V3	Grandfathered Product	Select Yes or No from the drop down menu.
W3	Effective Start Date	Enter the product's Effective Start Date in the format of MM/DD/YY.
X3	Effective End Date	Enter the product's Effective End Date in the format of MM/DD/YY. Optional field
Y3	Approved Product	Select Yes or No from the drop down menu.

*For additional information, see the questions and answers section on the CCHIO website.

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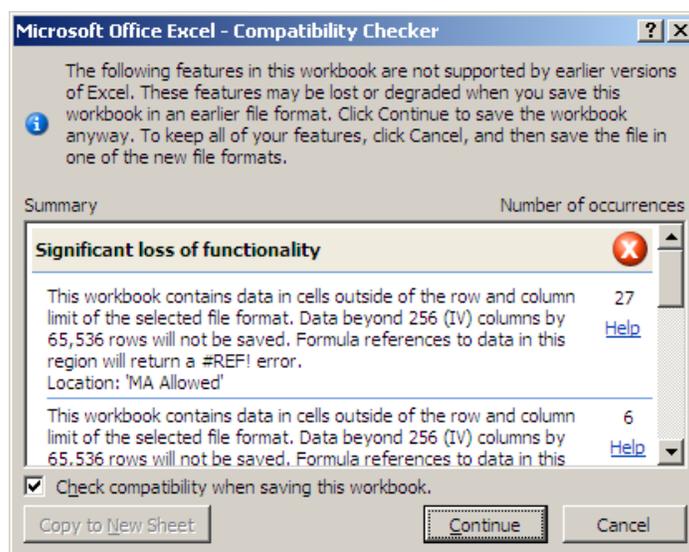
A non-finalized save can be invoked by selecting the Excel save icon on the Excel standard toolbar or by selecting **File** and then **Save** from the Excel menu. This save process will save any changes made to the workbook.

A finalized save occurs when the “**Finalize and Validate**” function is invoked. Please refer to section 5.7: *Finalizing the Issuer Data Entry Form for Submission*. This step is taken when the workbook is complete and ready for submission.

Please Note: After selecting **Save** or **Finalize & Validate Form**, the following message may appear. Uncheck the box **Check compatibility when saving this workbook** and select **Continue**. The finalized file must be saved in the same Excel version file format of the submitted data.

The Microsoft Office Excel - Compatibility Checker message is displayed below in Figure 12.

Figure 12: Microsoft Office Excel - Compatibility Checker



3.8 Finalizing the Issuer Data Entry Form for Submission

Select the **Validate & Finalize File** button to trigger the finalization process. The system will perform all of the critical validations. The system will perform the finalization process and create the read only file if all critical validations are passed.

When the finalization function is triggered, the system will check all required fields and critical validations. If the file does not successfully pass all validation rules, an error message box will appear listing the cell location of each error and those fields will be circled in red. A list of critical errors is included in Appendix B, “Critical Errors.” Each error will have to be corrected before the file can be successfully validated and finalized. Once the file is error free, the file will be finalized, including the creation of a read-only version of the template with the required naming convention.

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The required naming convention is as follows:

- Final_<first20charactersofname>_<stateabbreviation>_<IssuerID><yyyymmdd><hhmmss>.xlsx

Use of this naming convention is a requirement for a successful submission. If the name of the finalized file is modified, it will not be processed.

The following is an example of the required naming convention:

- Final_ACMEInsuranceCo_DC_85511_20130221_110834.xlsx (or .xls for Excel 2003)

3.9 Upload Submission

The Upload Template Submission page is displayed below in Figure 13.

Figure 13: Upload Template Submission page

The screenshot shows the 'Upload Finalized Data Template' tab selected in the 'Upload Template Submission' section. The page includes a header with the system name, a navigation bar with links like 'HIOS MAIN PAGE', 'HOME', 'FAQ', 'CONTACT US', and 'SIGN OUT', and a user greeting 'Welcome Jessica Rabbit'. The main content area contains instructions for uploading files, a file selection field with a 'Browse...' button, and an 'Upload' button. A note states that files cannot exceed 30MB. The footer contains links for 'Accessibility', 'Rules of Behavior', 'Web Policies', and 'File Formats and Plug-Ins', along with the address: 'U.S. Department of Health & Human Services • 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. • Washington, D.C. 20201'.

The following are the steps to upload a finalized template:

1. From the HIOS Portal, select ***HIOS Plan Finder Product Data Collection*** module button.
2. Select the ***Upload Finalized Data Template*** tab.
3. Type in the file name and location or select the ***Browse*** button then locate the file.
4. Select the ***Upload*** button. You will receive a confirmation message when the file has been completely uploaded.

Successfully uploaded and processed files will generate an email message to the submission contacts verifying the successful submission. If there are any errors encountered during the file processing, the system will generate an email detailing the error encountered. The error will have to be corrected and re-submitted before the file can be successful re-processed.

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4 XML Submissions

The Issuer Data XSD File is available as the XML file template. The file can be used with any XML reader software the user wishes to use. Instructions for loading the file into the XML software will vary depending on the software being used. Please consult the loading directions for your application.

4.1 Download XSD Template

The Download Data Submission Tools tab is displayed below in Figure 14.

Figure 14: Download Data Submission Tools tab

Welcome Daffy Duck

View Issuer Submitted Data | **Download Data Submission Tools** | Upload Finalized Data Template | Component IDs

Issuer Submission Tools

If you are submitting Issuer data, please select the Issuer Technical Instructions to download Instructions that detail how to fill out the Excel template and XML file for submission. Please click 'Issuer Data Submission Tool' to download the blank Issuer template in the desired Excel version or 'Issuer Data XSD File' to download the XSD file.

- [Issuer Data XSD File](#)
- [Issuer Technical Instructions](#)

Download a Pre-Populated Issuer Template

Please select a format for the pre-populated issuer template and then select an issuer from the dropdown menu below.

Excel 97-2003 Version (XLS)
 Excel 2007/2010 Version (XLSM)

*Issuer: -- Please select an issuer --

Click the button below to download an Excel template pre-populated with the selected issuer's latest submitted data. You will be prompted to open or save the requested file. Please select Save to save the file to your computer.

[Download Pre-Populated Issuer Template](#)

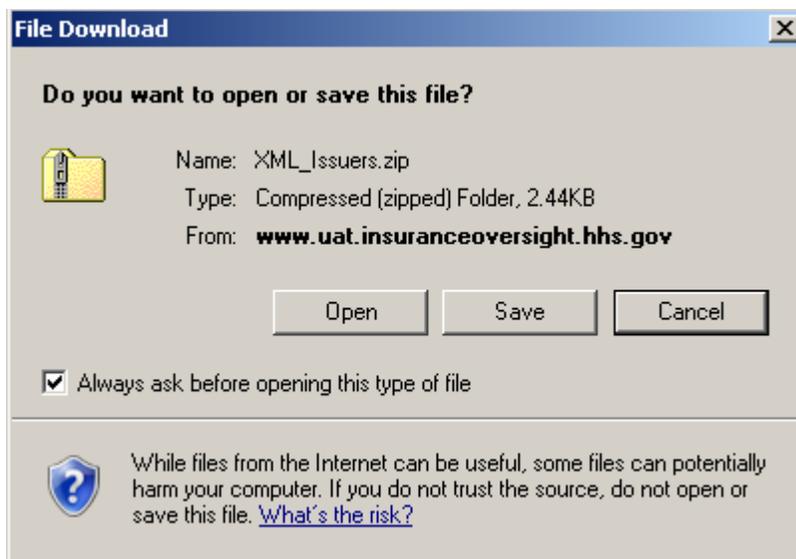
The following are the steps to download an XSD file:

1. From the *HIOS Main Page*, select *HIOS Issuer Product Data Collection*.
2. Select the *Download Data Submission Tools* tab.
3. Select the *Issuer Submission Tools* link.
4. Select the *Issuer Data XSD File* link.
5. Select the *Download Pre-Populated Issuer Template* button.

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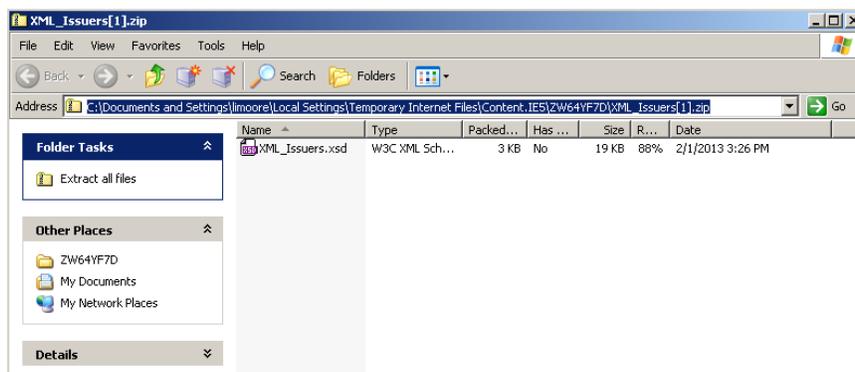
The File Download window message is displayed below in Figure 15.

Figure 15: File Download window



The XSD Zip File window message is displayed below in Figure 16.

Figure 16: XSD Zip File window



4.2 Creating XML File

Working versions of the .XML files can be named at the user's discretion. The .XML file will have to be changed (Save As) to the submission approved format. However, the finalized file to be submitted must be in the following format to be accepted:

- Final_<IssuerNameWithNoSpaces><stateabbreviation>_<IssuerID>_<year><month><day>.xml

Use of this naming convention is a requirement for a successful submission. If the name of the finalized file is modified, it will not be processed.

The following is an example of the finalized file format to be submitted:

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Example: Final_ACMEInsuranceCo_DC_8511_20130127.xml

Please Note: Finalized files will be saved in the same directory where the working file is located.

4.3 XML File Upload

1. From the HIOS Portal, select ***HIOS Plan Finder Product Data Collection*** module button.
2. Select the ***Upload Finalized Data Template*** tab.
3. Type in the file name and location or select the ***Browse*** button then locate the file.
4. Select the ***Upload*** button. You will receive a confirmation message when the file has been completely uploaded.

Successfully uploaded and processed files will generate an email message to the submission contacts verifying the successful submission. If there are any errors encountered during the file processing, the system will generate an email detailing the error encountered. The error will have to be corrected and re-submitted before the file can be successful re-processed.

5 Submission Users Only - Web Entry

The web entry screens are only viewable to submission users. Users can enter and edit data on the web user interface for elements that are editable. Please see the chart below for a complete list of editable fields,.

Field	User Edits
Corporate Information	
Issuer Legal Name	No
State	No
Issuer ID	No
Federal EIN	No
Market Coverage	Yes
Issuer Marketing Name	Yes
NAIC Company Code	No
NAIC Group Code	No
Address	
Address Line 1	Yes
Address Line 2	Yes
City	Yes
State	Yes
Zip	Yes
4 digit	Yes

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Individual and Small Group Market	
Do you offer Individual Market?	Yes
Enter the web address for the Individual Market website.	Yes
Do you offer Small Group Market?	Yes
Enter the web address for the Small Group Market website.	Yes
Customer Service Contact – Individual Market	
Local Number	Yes
Extension	Yes
Toll Free Number	Yes
TTY:	Yes
Web Address	Yes
Customer Service Contact – Small Group Market	
Local Number	Yes
Extension	Yes
Toll Free Number	Yes
TTY:	Yes
Wedbsite Address	Yes
Ratings – Individual Market	
Is Issuer rated by any rating company?	Yes
Rating Company	Yes
Rating Type	Yes
Rating	Yes
Rating Company Other/Describe	Yes
Rating Type Other/Describe	Yes
Ratings – Small Group Market	
Is Issuer rated by any rating company?	Yes
Rating Company	Yes
Rating Type	Yes
Rating	Yes
Rating Company Other/Describe	Yes
Rating Type Other/Describe	Yes
Product ID	No
Product Name	No
Enrollment Code/Group Number	Yes
Product Information	
Product Type	No

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Other Product Type description	Yes
Association Product	Yes
Product Enrollment	Yes
Individual or Small Group	No
Website Address (Benefit)	Yes
Website Address (Formulary)	Yes
Website Address (Provider)	Yes
Covers Whole State	Yes
Number of Applications Received	Yes
Number of Applications Denied	Yes
Number of Uprated Offers	Yes
Number of Administrative disqualifiers	Yes
SERFF Number	Yes
Open or Close?	Yes
Closed Reason	Yes
Other Closed reason	Yes
Grandfathered product?	Yes
Effective State Date	Yes
Effective End Date	Yes

5.1 Edit Issuer General Information

The data submission contact can select *Edit Issuer General Information* to edit Issuer General Information as depicted below in Figure 17.

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Figure 17: Edit Issuer General Information link

The screenshot displays the 'View Issuer Submitted Data' tab with a sub-tab for 'Issuer General Information'. The main content area shows details for 'Company 0505 - PA', including submission dates and application data. A prominent heading reads 'Issuer General Information for Issuer: Company 0505 - PA'. Below this, a blue link 'Edit Issuer General Information' is circled in red. The page is divided into 'Corporate Information' and 'Individual and Small Group Market' sections, each containing various fields like legal name, ID, state, and website.

View Issuer Submitted Data	Download Data Submission Tools	Upload Finalized Data Template	Component IDs
Issuer General Information	Products Offering Report	RBIS Input	
Issuer Name:	Company 0505 - PA		
Submission Uploaded Date:	8/19/2013 3:56:52 PM		
Application Data for Quarter:	Q2, 2013 [Apr. 1 - Jun. 30, 2013]		
Data Last Previewed By:			
Issuer General Information for Issuer: Company 0505 - PA			
Edit Issuer General Information			
Corporate Information			
Issuer Legal Name:	Company 0505	State:	PA
Issuer ID:	53041	Issuer Marketing Name:	
Market Coverage:	Both	Federal EIN:	00000505
NAIC Company Code:		NAIC Group Code:	
Address		Individual and Small Group Market	
Address Line 1:	111 Main Street	Do you offer individual?	Yes
Address Line 2:		WebSite:	http://www.test.com
City:	Fairfax	Do you offer small group?	Yes
State:	VA	WebSite:	http://www.test.com
Zip:	20151		

1. From the HIOS Portal, select *HIOS Plan Finder Product Data Collection* module button.
2. Select the *View Issuer Submitted Data* tab.
3. Select the *Issuer General Information* link.
4. Select the *Edit Issuer General Information* link.

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The Edit Issuer General Information window is displayed below in Figure 18.

Figure 18: Edit Issuer General Information window

Edit Issuer General Information

ACME Insurance Company - DC

(*) Indicates a required field

Corporate Information

Issuer Legal Name: ACME Insurance Company

Issuer ID: 85511

*Market Coverage: Both

NAIC Company Code:

State: DC

Issuer Marketing Name:

Federal EIN: 000112222

NAIC Group Code:

Address

*Address Line 1: 123 Main Street

Address Line 2:

*City: Anytown

*State: MD

*Zip: 21200 -

Individual and Small Group Market

*Do you offer individual? Yes

Website: http://www.acme.cor

*Do you offer small group? Yes

Website: http://www.acme.cor

Customer Service Contact - Individual Market

*Local Number: 18885551111

Extension:

Toll Free Number: 18885551111

TTY:

*Website: http://www.acme.cor

Customer Service Contact - Small Group Market

*Local Number: 18885551111

Extension:

Toll Free Number: 18885551111

TTY:

*Website: http://www.acme.cor

Ratings - Individual Market

*Is Issuer rated by any rating company in the last two years? Yes

[+ Add New Row](#)

*Rating Company	*Rating Type	*Rating	Rating Company Other/ Describe	Rating Type Other/ Describe	Delete Row
AM Best	Overall	AA			<input type="checkbox"/>

Ratings - Small Group Market

*Is Issuer rated by any rating company in the last two years? No

5. Make changes to any of the editable fields, as desired.
6. Select one of the following buttons:
 - a. **Submit** button: To send the changes through for processes. Any validation errors will appear at the top of the screen and will have to be address before the web editing request can be successfully processed.
 - b. **Cancel** button: Will erase any changed information and return the data to its previous settings.
 - c. **Back** button: Will return the user to the View Issuer General Information page.

5.2 Edit Product Information

Users can add and edit product information as well. The user can simply navigate to the **Product Offerings Report** link under the **View Issuer Submitted Data** tab to edit Product Information. The user can then select **Add New Product** to add a new product.

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The Product Offering Report page is displayed below in Figure 19.

Figure 19: Product Offering Report page

The screenshot displays the 'Product Offering Report' page for 'Company 0505 - PA'. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'View Issuer Submitted Data', 'Download Data Submission Tools', 'Upload Finalized Data Template', and 'Component IDs'. Below these are sub-tabs: 'Issuer General Information', 'Products Offering Report' (which is active), and 'RBIS Input'. The main content area shows the issuer name in a dropdown menu, the submission uploaded date (8/19/2013 3:56:52 PM), and the application data for the quarter (Q2, 2013 [Apr. 1 - Jun. 30, 2013]). A section titled 'Product Level Offering Report for Issuer: Company 0505 - PA' includes a link to 'Add New Product' and a note to click 'Show' buttons. Below this are three buttons: 'Hide Product Description', 'Hide Product Information', and 'Hide Product URLs', along with a 'Show Product Application Data' button. A table lists two products:

Product ID	Product Name	Enrollment Code/Group Number	SERFF Number	Effective Start Date	Effective End Date	Product Enrollment	Product Type	Other Product Type Desc	Association Product?	Individual or Small Group	Grandfathered Product?
53041PA001	Small Group HMO			1/1/2012 12:00:00 AM		111	HMO		No	Small Group	No
53041PA002	Individual HMO			1/1/2012 12:00:00 AM		112	HMO		No	Individual	No

The following are steps to add new products:

1. From the HIOS Portal, select ***HIOS Plan Finder Product Data Collection*** module button.
2. Select the ***View Issuer Submitted Data*** tab.
3. Select the ***Product Offering Report*** link.

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The Add New Product window is displayed below in Figure 20.

Figure 20: Add New Product window

View Issuer Submitted Data | Download Data Submission Tools | Upload Finalized Data Template | Component IDs

Issuer Name: Company 0505 - PA
Submission Uploaded Date: 8/19/2013 3:56:52 PM
Application Data for Quarter: Q2, 2013 [Apr. 1 - Jun. 30, 2013]
Data Last Previewed By:

Add New Product

(*) Indicates a required field

Please enter applications, denials and up-rates that occurred in: Q2-2013 (Apr. 1 - Jun. 30, 2013)

Product ID: Not assigned yet

*Product Name:	<input type="text"/>	*Number of Applications Received:	<input type="text"/>
Enrollment Code/Group Number:	<input type="text"/>	*Number of Applications Denied:	<input type="text"/>
*Product Type:	<input type="text"/>	*Number of Uprated Offers:	<input type="text"/>
Other Product Type Description:	<input type="text"/>	Number of Administrative Disqualifiers:	<input type="text"/>
*Association Product:	<input type="text"/>	SERFF Number:	<input type="text"/>
*Product Enrollment:	<input type="text"/>	*Open or Closed:	Open <input type="text"/>
*Individual or Small Group:	<input type="text"/>	Closed Reason:	<input type="text"/>
*Website Address (Benefit at a Glance):	<input type="text"/>	Other Closed Reason:	<input type="text"/>
Website Address (Formulary):	<input type="text"/>	*Grandfathered Product:	<input type="text"/>
*Website Address (Provider):	<input type="text"/>	*Effective Start Date:	<input type="text"/>
*Covers Whole State:	<input type="text"/>	Effective End Date:	<input type="text"/>
*Approved Product:	<input type="text"/>		

Submit | Cancel | Back

- To create a new product, select the **Add New Product** link to get a blank product entry window. A new Product ID will be automatically generated once the user selects **Submit**.

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The Edit Product Data Elements window is displayed below in Figure 21.

Figure 21: Edit Product Data Elements window

5. To edit an existing product, select the **Product ID** hyperlink for the desired product.
6. Edit or enter all applicable and required data. See the Product Information chart in Section 3.5 for additional information to complete the product report.
7. Select one of the following buttons:
 - a. **Submit** button: To send the changes through for processes. Any validation errors will appear at the top of the screen and will have to be address before the web editing request can be successfully processed.
 - b. **Cancel** button: Will erase any changed information and return the data to its previous settings.
 - c. **Back** button: Will return the user to the View Issuer General Information page.

6 Validation Users Only – Issuer Attestation

Once updated issuer data has been successfully submitted and processed, the validation message will be triggered for the Validation users the next time they enter the system. Validation users are responsible for checking all submitted data to ensure accuracy, then attesting to the accuracy of the data.

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The Issuer Attestation message is displayed below in Figure 22.

Figure 22: Issuer Attestation message

The screenshot displays the HIOS Plan Finder interface. At the top, the title "Health Insurance Oversight System" is shown in a green header. Below the header, the date "Thursday, February 21, 2013" is displayed on the left, and navigation buttons for "HIOS MAIN PAGE", "HOME", "FAQ", "CONTACT US", and "SIGN OUT" are on the right. A "Welcome Jessica Rabbit" message is visible on the right side. The main navigation area includes tabs for "View Issuer Submitted Data", "Download Data Submission Tools", "Upload Finalized Data Template", and "Component IDs". Below these are sub-tabs for "Issuer General Information", "Products Offering Report", and "RBIS Input". The "View Issuer Submitted Data" tab is active, showing a message: "Access the latest submission of company and product-level health insurance data by selecting one of the three sub-tabs above: Issuer General Information, Products Offering Report, or RBIS Input." The "Issuer Attestation" section contains the text: "If you wish to attest then you must select a radio button before choosing 'Save'." followed by a statement of attestation: "I attest that I have examined the data in the Issuer General Information and associated Product Offering Report for my organization and that to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief it accurately represents the required product-level data based on current template parameters. I further attest that our submission as a whole to HIOS represents all products that are offered by this organization that are open for enrollment or closed but still have at least one enrollee. I also understand that if I do not approve the data, HHS may still display the information I have previously provided." Below this text are two radio buttons: "Data displayed is accurate and does not need to be changed" and "Data displayed is inaccurate and needs to be updated". At the bottom of the form are "Save" and "Cancel" buttons. The footer contains links for "Accessibility", "Rules of Behavior", "Web Policies", and "File Formats and Plug-Ins", along with the address "U.S. Department of Health & Human Services - 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. - Washington, D.C. 20201".

The following are the steps to attest the issuer data for validation users:

1. From the HIOS Portal, select **HIOS Plan Finder Product Data Collection** module button.
2. Select the **View Issuer Submitted Data** tab.
3. Review all submitted data by selecting each information link.
4. Select any other tab (not link) to refresh the message, then select the **View Issuer Submitted Data** tab again.
5. Read the **Issuer Attestation** message and select the appropriate radio button for your status.
6. Select the **Save** button.

7 Component ID Numbers

A SCID (Standard Component ID) is the base identification of an insurance plan prior to it being submitted as an “On exchange”, “Off exchange”, or both plan. The SCID is used to create the official Plan ID once it is processed by the receiving system (e.g., FFE PM, RBIS).

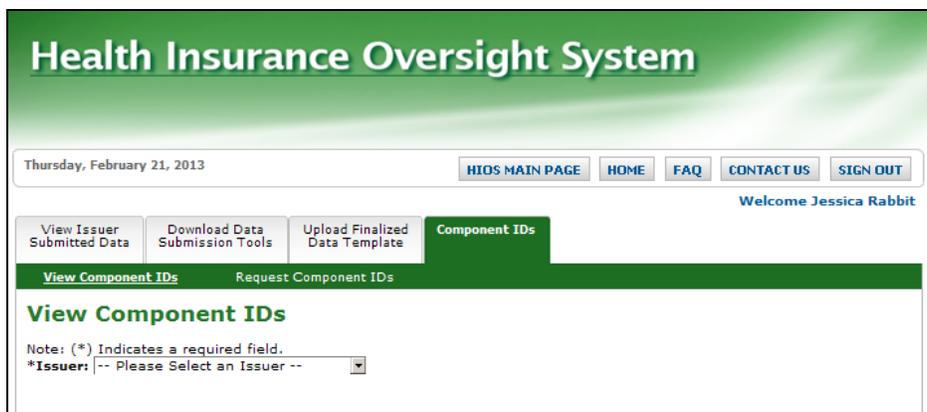
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The Standard Component ID Services (SCIS) will be implemented as an independent set of services and will enable CCHIO to have a single source for all Standard Component ID's. Once generated, these IDs will be persistent and can be used across any system using SCIDs.

Users can view the existing component IDs for their products per registered Issuer and request additional component IDs for their reported products.

The Component IDs tab is displayed below in Figure 23.

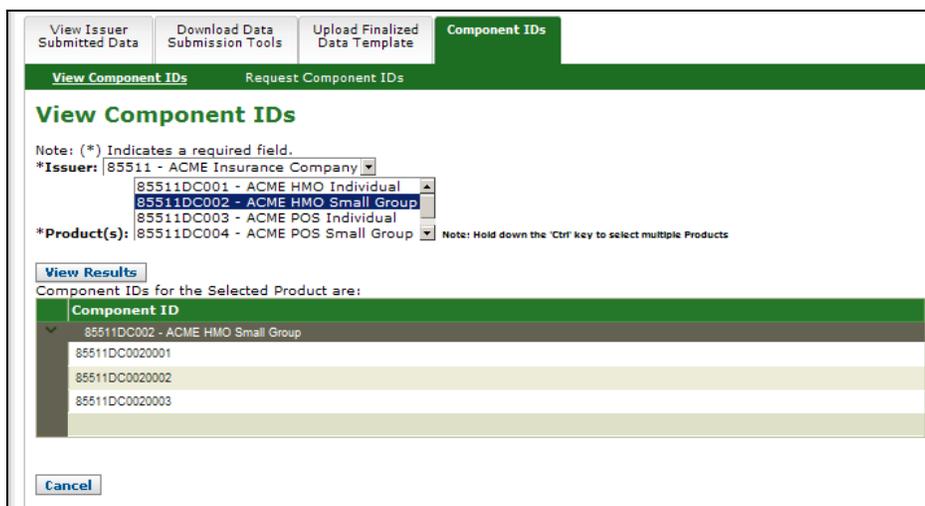
Figure 23: Component IDs tab



7.1 View Component IDs

The View Component IDs page is displayed below in Figure 24.

Figure 24: View Component IDs page



The following are the steps to view the existing component IDs registered for a specific product:

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1. From the HIOS Portal, select *HIOS Plan Finder Product Data Collection* module button.
2. Select the *Component IDs* tab.
3. Select the *View Component IDs* link.
4. Select the Issuer desired from the *Issuer* drop down menu. The products reported for that issuer will display in the *Product(s)* field.
5. Select the Product ID desired from the *Product(s)* drop down menu.
6. Select the *View Results* button.
7. The component IDs associated with that specific product will be displayed in a list.

7.2 Request Component IDs

The Request Component IDs page is displayed below in Figure 25.

Figure 25: Request Component IDs page

The screenshot shows the 'Request Component IDs' page. At the top, there are four navigation tabs: 'View Issuer Submitted Data', 'Download Data Submission Tools', 'Upload Finalized Data Template', and 'Component IDs'. Below these, there are two sub-tabs: 'View Component IDs' and 'Request Component IDs'. The main content area is titled 'Request Component IDs' and contains a form with the following fields: a note '(*) Indicates a required field.', a required field for '*Issuer:' with a dropdown menu showing '85511 - ACME Insurance Company', a required field for '*Product:' with a dropdown menu showing '85511DC003 - ACME POS Individual', and a required field for '*Number of IDs:' with a text input containing '4' and a note 'Maximum 50 IDs per request'. At the bottom of the form are 'Submit' and 'Cancel' buttons.

The following are the steps to request additional component IDs for a specific product:

1. From the HIOS Portal, select *HIOS Plan Finder Product Data Collection* module button.
2. Select the *Component IDs* tab.
3. Select the *Request Component IDs* link.
4. Select the Issuer desired from the *Issuer* drop down menu. The products reported for that issuer will display in the *Product(s)* field.
5. Select the Product ID desired from the *Product(s)* drop down menu.
6. Enter the number of additional component IDs needed in the *Number of IDs* field. Users may request up to 50 IDs per request.
7. Select the *Submit* button.
8. The additional component IDs associated with that specific product can be viewed on the *View Component IDs* page.

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8 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)

Question 1: I am trying to open Issuer Data Entry Form files in Excel 2007, but I do not see the Option button. How do I enable contents?

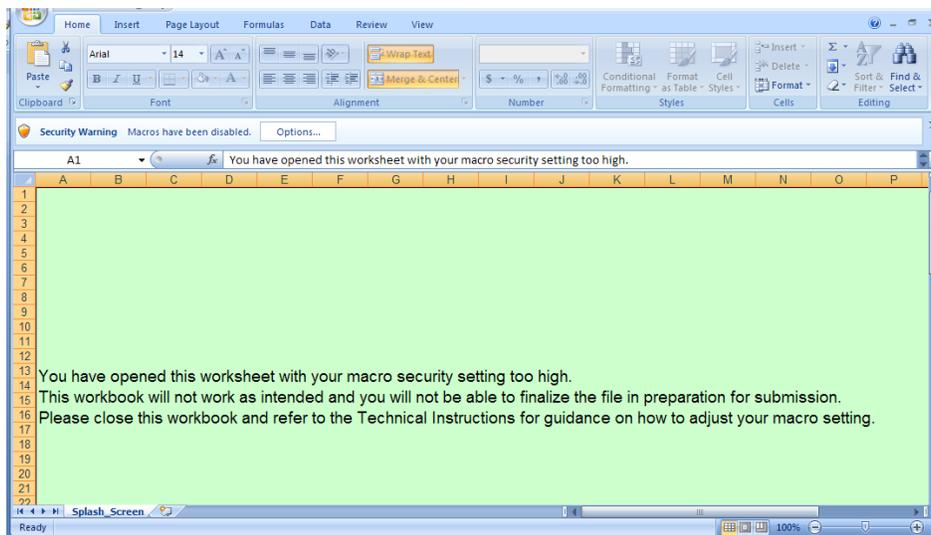
1. Select the Microsoft Office button .
2. Select on *Excel Options*.
3. Select *Trust Center*.
4. Select *Trust Center Settings*.
5. Select *Message Bar*.
6. Select the radio button that states “*Show the Message Bar in all applications when document content has been blocked.*”

Question 2: I have Excel 2003. When I opened the workbook, a static screen displayed indicating that I must update my macro settings.

- If macro settings are set to High or Very High, the workbook will not be functional. Change macro security settings to *Medium (recommended)*. See section 4.1: *Set-up Considerations* for instructions.

Question 3: I have Excel 2007 or higher. When I opened the workbook, I received the following screen.

Figure 26: Excel 2007 or higher error message



1. Select *Options*.
2. Select the radio button for *Enable this content*.
3. Select *OK*.

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Question 4: I have Excel 2007. When I attempted to finalize the workbook, I received a macro error message.

- The Issuer Data Entry Form uses macros to perform the built-in functions including the validation and finalization processes. See section 3: *Excel Submissions*.

Question 5: My issue is not listed in this manual. Who can I contact?

- For additional assistance, please call the CMS Help Desk, Exchange Operations Support Center (XOSC) at 1-855-CMS-1515 or email them at CMS_FEPS@CMS.HHS.gov.
- XOSC hours of operation are from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. EST Monday thru Friday (not including federal government observed holidays or closures)

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Appendix A - Required Fields

A list of the required fields are provided in Appendix A.

Issuer General Info worksheet:

- Issuer Legal Name
- State
- Market Coverage
- Issuer Marketing Name
- Address Line 1
- City
- State
- Zip
- Do you offer Individual Market?
 - Individual website if Individual Market is covered
- Do you offer Small Group Market?
 - Small Group website if Small Group Market is covered
- If Individual Market is covered, the following fields are required:
 - Individual Market Customer Service Local Phone Number
 - Individual Market Customer Service Website Address
 - Individual Primary Data Submission Contact First Name
 - Individual Primary Data Submission Contact Last Name
 - Individual Primary Data Submission Contact Phone Number
 - Individual Primary Data Submission Contact Email Address
 - Individual Primary Data Validation Contact First Name
 - Individual Primary Data Validation Contact Last Name
 - Individual Primary Data Validation Contact Phone Number
 - Individual Primary Data Validation Contact Email Address
- If Small Group Market is covered, the following fields are required:
 - Small Group Market Customer Service Local Phone Number
 - Small Group Market Customer Service Website Address
 - Small Group Primary Data Submission Contact First Name
 - Small Group Primary Data Submission Contact Last Name
 - Small Group Primary Data Submission Contact Phone Number
 - Small Group Primary Data Submission Contact Email Address
 - Small Group Primary Data Validation Contact First Name
 - Small Group Primary Data Validation Contact Last Name
 - Small Group Primary Data Validation Contact Phone Number
 - Small Group Primary Data Validation Contact Email Address
- Individual Market – Is the Issuer rated?
- If the Individual Market offerings have been rated, the following fields are required:
 - Rating Company
 - Rating Type
 - Rating

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- Small Group Market – Is the Issuer rated?
- If the Small Group Market offerings have been rated, the following fields are required:
 - Rating Company
 - Rating Type
 - Rating

Product Info Worksheet:

- Product Name
- Product Type
- Association Product
- Product Enrollment
- Individual or Small Group
- Website address (Benefit at a Glance)
- Website address (Provider Network)
- Covers whole State?
- Number of Applications Received?
- Number of Applications Denied?
- Number of Up-Rated Offers?
- Number of Administrative Disqualifiers?
- Open or Closed?
 - Closed Reason, if “Open or Closed?” is *Closed*
 - Other Closed Reason, if “Closed Reason” is *Other*
- Grandfathered Product
- Effective Start Date
- Effective End Date
- Approved Product?

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Appendix B – Critical Errors

Critical errors are outlined in Appendix B.

1. Field Validations: see Appendix A – Required Fields. The file templates will indicate missing required fields. The templates will not allow you to “Validate and Finalize” until all field validation errors have been addressed.
Please Note: Some required field, such as conditionally required fields, omissions will not prevent an .XML file finalization and submission; however, the file submission will fail and generate an email with an error.
2. Attestation contacts cannot be any type of submission or validation contact for the same issuer. The file submission will fail and generate an email with an error.
3. If the submission user’s User ID (email address) is not an existing submission contact, the file submission will fail and generate an email with an error.
4. If the submission user’s User ID (email address) is an existing submission contact but their contact information is not listed as a continuing submission contact on the file being submitted, the file submission will fail and generate an email with an error.
5. If the XML file does not have the proper naming convention, the file submission will fail and generate an email with an error.
6. If the finalized Excel file is not in the approved naming convention, the file submission will fail and generate an email with an error.
7. Attestation CEO and Attestation CFO Contacts cannot be the same person. At least one of the attestation contacts must be completed; the other can be blank.
8. Data submission and validation contacts cannot all be the same ONE person. There must be at least two contacts for the issuer, not including the attestation contact.
9. If the number of applications received is less than the sum of the number of denials, number of up-rated offers, and number of administrative disqualifications.
10. For XML submissions, any of these validations failures will cause the file submission to fail and an email to be generated with an error:
 - a. The appropriate Customer Service phone number and website are not entered for the correct market type.
 - b. Contact information (first name, last name, contact phone number, and email address) for the appropriate market type.
 - c. If the number of applications that were denied plus the number that were up-rated total more than the number of application received.
 - d. If the Effective Start Date is before the Effective End Date.
 - e. If an invalid URL format is entered into any of the website address.
 - f. If an invalid email address format is entered into any of the email address fields.
 - g. For Current year and quarter does not match the current year and quarter.
 - h. Invalid Characters in the Address, marketing name fields and user entered fields.