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Version 5010 Testing is Critical to a Successful Transition – How Prepared Are You?

All covered entities under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) must be ready to implement the Version 5010 transaction standards on January 1, 2012. A critical step to reaching this milestone is testing Version 5010 transactions prior to going live. With less than four months until the transition, it is time to take action, especially on external (Level II) testing. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has posted a new [fact sheet](#) to help you better understand testing and the steps involved.

External testing with business partners in the new Version 5010 format will ensure that you are able to send and receive compliant transactions prior to the deadline. You should begin testing as soon as possible if you have not already done so. Waiting until the last minute may result in long testing queues, so plan ahead to avoid the rush.

Here are some suggested steps to take now:

- Identify the partners you currently conduct transactions with
- Create a schedule and timeline for external testing with each partner
- Identify priority partners to conduct testing with if you trade with a large number of business partners

Don't forget to check out the new timeline widget that can help you organize your transition steps as the Version 5010 deadline approaches. For more Version 5010 resources, visit the [Latest News](#) section of the ICD-10 website.

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