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**Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Mandatory Reporting Provisions
Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007
(See 42 U.S.C. 1395y(b)(7)&(b)(8))**

**Technical Alert: Response File Naming Convention Change for Liability
Insurance (Including Self-Insurance), No-Fault Insurance, and Workers'
Compensation**

Effective April 6, 2015, CMS is modifying the naming convention used for the Claim Response, TIN Response and Query Response Files. In order to ensure filenames are always unique, the values of the time node will be changed.

Requirements

As of April 6, 2015, the “T” node of the response filename will be modified. The space previously occupied by ‘sscc’ (seconds and centiseconds) will be replaced with a number from 0000 to 9999. The length and format of the filename will remain the same. The revised naming convention is shown below:

Claim Response: PCOB.BA.MR.NGHPCLM.RESP.Dccyymmdd.Thhmm####.TXT
TIN Response: PCOB.BA.MR.NGHPTIN.RESP.Dccyymmdd.Thhmm####.TXT
Query Response: PCOB.BA.MR.NGHPQRY.RESP.Dccyymmdd.Thhmm####.TXT

The information included in this Alert supersedes the applicable language in the MMSEA Section 111 Medicare Secondary Payer Mandatory Reporting Liability Insurance (Including Self-Insurance), No-Fault Insurance, and Workers’ Compensation User Guide (Version 4.3) and will be incorporated into a subsequent version of the User Guide.