



Provider Inquiry Assistance

Implementation of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Version 5010 Only in Jurisdiction 12 (J12) Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractor (A/B MAC) – JA6744

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Contractors Affected A/B MACs (J12)

Provider Types Affected Physicians, providers and suppliers who bill the A/B MACs in Jurisdiction 12 (Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania) for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries



Change Request (CR) 6744 directs the A/B MACs in Jurisdiction 12 to prepare their systems to process Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 Version 5010 of HIPAA transactions.

Provider Needs to Know...

- Effective January 1, 2012, providers must be ready to submit claims electronically using the X12 Version 5010.
 - Implementation of HIPAA 5010 will require changes to software, systems, and perhaps procedures that providers use for billing Medicare and other payers. Therefore, it is extremely important that providers are aware of this HIPAA change and be alert to future directions for this implementation.
 - CMS will provide additional information to assist providers and keep them informed of progress on Medicare's implementation of HIPAA 5010 through a variety of
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communication vehicles.

Note: Providers in other jurisdictions should look for articles concerning their readiness and the readiness of their MACs for Version 5010. Providers in Jurisdictions 10 and 14 were previously informed of this activity in MLN Matters® article MM6595 (released on August 28, 2009), which is available at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM6595.pdf> on the CMS website.

Background

- CMS is now implementing the next version of the HIPAA transactions.
- The Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services adopted ASC X12 Version 5010 and National Council for Prescription Drug Programs Version D.0 as the next HIPAA transaction standards for covered entities to exchange HIPAA transactions.
- The final rule was published on January 16, 2009.
- All covered entities have to be fully compliant on January 1, 2012.

**Operational
Impact**

N/A

**Reference
Materials**

The related MLN Matters® article can be found at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/MM6744.pdf> on the CMS website.

The official instruction (CR6744) regarding this change may be viewed at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R6090TN.pdf> on the CMS website.
