

# HIPAA: PARADING TOWARD COMPLIANCE

## Business Continuity: How to Leverage Contingency & Backup Planning



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## Agenda

- Requirements and Deadlines
- Transaction Business Model
- Covered Entities
- Factors Influencing Compliance
- Risk of Non-Compliance
- Contingency Planning
- What can you do?
- Alternate Solutions
- Q&A

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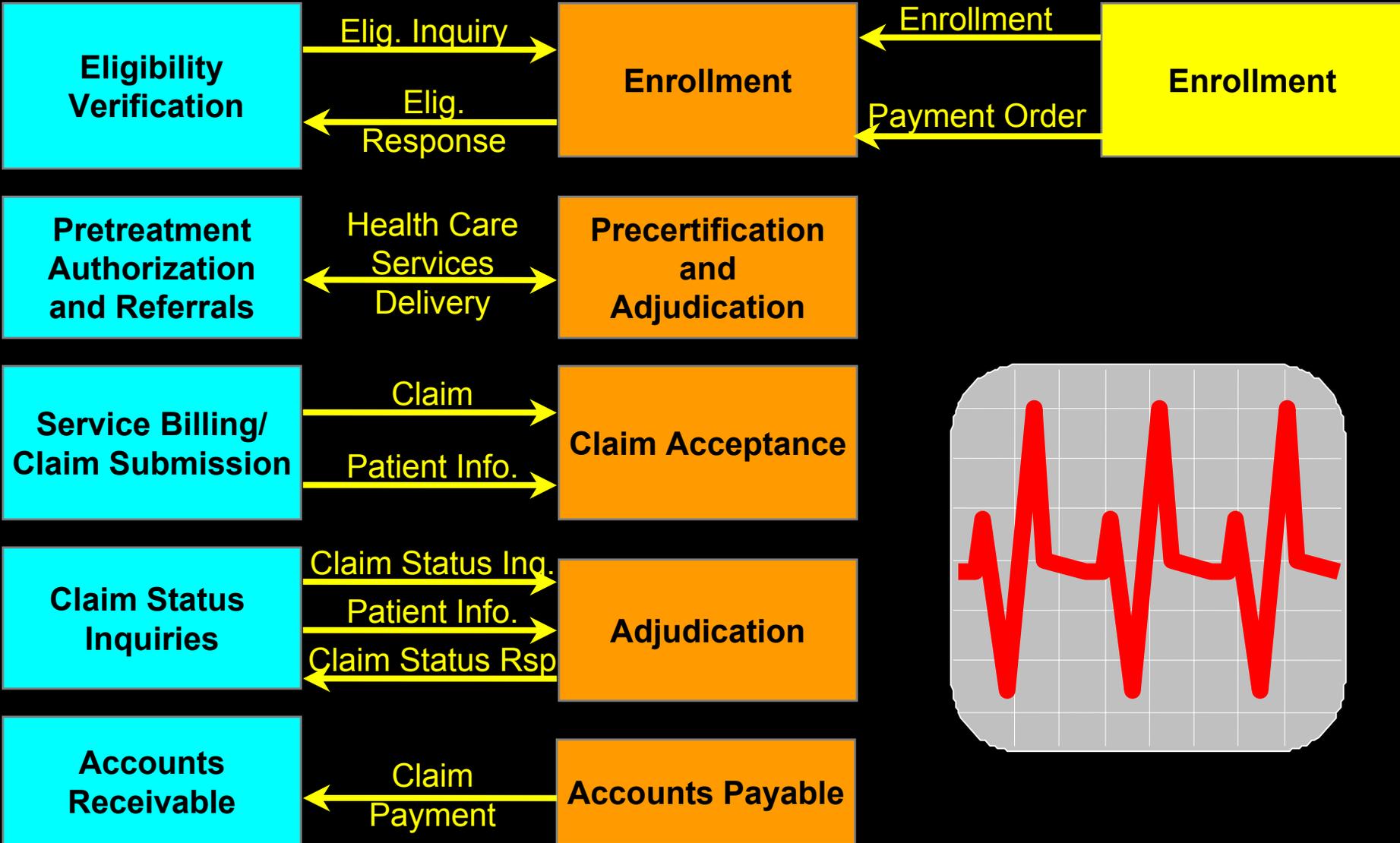
## Requirements and Deadlines

<b>9 EDI Transactions/Code Sets</b>	<b>10/16/2002</b>
<b>Testing</b>	<b>04/16/2003</b>
<b>ASCA</b>	<b>10/16/2003</b>
<b>004010 Addenda</b>	<b>10/16/2003</b>
<b>4 Standard Identifiers</b>	
<b>Employer Identifier</b>	<b>07/30/2004</b>
<b>National Provider ID</b>	<b>? Final Reg.</b>
<b>National Plan ID</b>	<b>? NPRM</b>
<b>Individual ID</b>	<b>? NPRM</b>
<b>Privacy</b>	<b>04/2003</b>
<b>Security</b>	<b>? Final Reg.</b>

# PROVIDERS

# INSURANCE AND PAYERS

# SPONSORS



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## Covered Entities

- Payers
  - Commercial
  - ERISA / Taft Hartley / MET / HMO / PPO
  - Governmental
    - Medicare
    - Medicaid
    - Champus
    - VA
    - State / County programs
- Clearing Houses
  - Non-Standard ↔ Standard
    - Format
    - Data Content
- Providers
- Which exchange transactions electronically

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## Factors Influencing Noncompliance

- Lack of awareness
- Understanding requirements
  - Who is mandated
  - What is mandated
  - When is it going to happen
- Federal Regulatory Process is too slow
  - Addenda and NDC Final Regulation
  - Insufficient Funding / Resources

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## Risk of Noncompliance

- Cessation of Medicare payment
- Medicaid funding issues
- Disruption of current electronic transaction flow
- Disruption of cash flow to providers

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## Contingency Planning

- Identify Weak Points
  - Internal Influences
  - Dependencies on Software Vendors
    - Vendors inability to make deadlines
    - Vendors cannot make clients Compliant
  - Identify and Focus on Highest Risks
    - Transaction / Dollar Volumes
  - Test as early as possible!

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## What can you do? Communicate

- Trading Partner Surveys
  - Metrics for Noncompliance
- Readiness Statements
- Trading Partner Agreements
- Companion Guides

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## What can you do? Participate

- X12 / HL7 / NCPDP
- WEDI /SNIP
- AFEHCT / MGMA
- AMA / AHA / ADA

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## What can you do? Education

- Internal Staff
  - Management (all levels)
  - Non-Technical
  - Technical
  - Audit
  - Legal
  - Testing / Compliance
- Trading Partners
  - Vendors, Contractors, etc.

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## What can you do? Resources

- WEDI / SNIP – White Papers
- Trade Associations
- Software Vendors
- Consultants
- Off Shore IT Resources

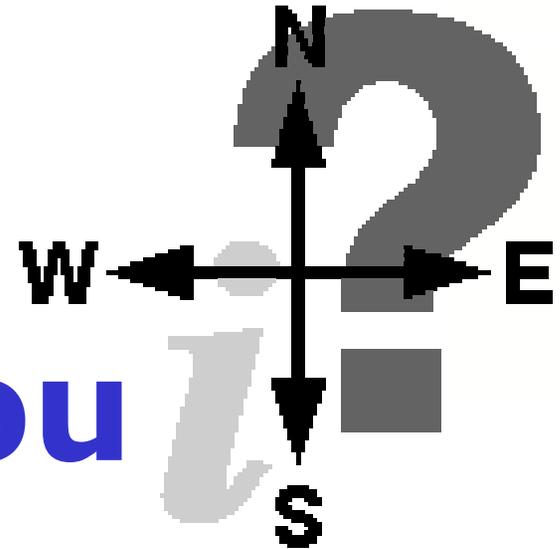
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## What can you do? Alternate Solutions

- Clearing Houses
- Purchase Separate Translator
  - BDB **Buy Don't Build**
- Direct Data Entry (DDE)
- Paper → **OCR / ICR**

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**Thank You**



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