

**EDI MEDICAL BILL IMPLEMENTATION
TELECONFERENCE MINUTES/UPDATE**

August 7, 2008
9:00 am to 10:00 am

PRESENT: Gayle Parrish, Nanci Johnston, Nathan Johnson, Win Lombardi, Karen Snipes, Colin Turner, Brian Nelson

ABSENT: Juerg Kunz

Teleconference with trading partners:

There were technical problems with the teleconference provider and no connection was ever made. Gayle emailed the trading partners to notify them of the issue and contacted customer support at FreeConference.com to report the problem.

According to Freeconference.com staff, *“There is currently an outage at the facility where our equipment is located. We are working feverishly to correct this issue, and do not expect it to occur in the future. I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you and your conference participants.”* Will Reed, Customer Support

Project Updates / Discussions:

Colin went over the improvements made since July 24, 2008.

Improvements:

- We discovered the limit to the number of files our system will handle in a single day: 399 combined among all reporters. If there are more than that, then files will need to be manually processed, causing delays. (8/6) NOTE: We will discuss this file number limitation with our internal IT staff to see if it can be removed, and provide updated information as soon as we have it.
- The components of SVD03 were not getting stored properly. It was contributing to errors on paid codes. That is fixed. (7/24)
- Our set of revenue codes is complete. An error in the validation was remedied. (7/24)
- PER segments are now allowed. They were incorrectly excluded where they should have been included and vice versa.(8/1)
- DN682 (Facility NPI) is now optional when reporting a facility. (8/4)
- If DN006 (Insurer FEIN) is not 9-digits long, then there will be an error: 045 (too small) or 044 (too big). (8/4) (This can be removed when we go to production and reinstate the match of Insurer FEIN against the database of insurers authorized in Oregon.)
- Files which are totally unreadable (won't generate a TA1) will no longer crash the program (8/5). An email will be sent to the project team with the file name. It is up to reporters to ask about missing acknowledgments. The team may proactively respond as schedules and workloads permit.

Clarifications:

- We acknowledge all batches and bills in the 824. Each batch will get an OTI and any errors for that batch will be acknowledged. Following all batch-level errors, the constituent bills will be acknowledged. If a batch is rejected, then all of its bills will be rejected too. If a batch is rejected but there are no bill-level errors, then the bill will be rejected but no errors will be reported for the bill (only for the batch).

Discussion Topics:

- The team discussed the possibility of re-running all files received to date, so that acceptance rates would properly reflect all system corrections made to date. This might be done in our Test environment, which would mean that no acknowledgments would be sent to reporters. If reporters would rather see a duplicate acknowledgment for the file, we may be able to rerun their files in the Production environment instead. We'd like to discuss this topic at next week's teleconference.
- There was discussion about removing old acknowledgments from the trading partners' mailboxes. Once we have gone into production it was felt that the acknowledgments not picked up after 30 days should be removed from the mailbox. This will also be discussed with the trading partners during the next teleconference.