

Washington State Medical Association

HIPAA EDI TRANSACTIONS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Electronic data interchange (EDI) makes good economic sense for physicians' practices by eliminating costly, tedious and time-wasting handling of paper claims. By electronically submitting your claims, turnaround time is significantly shorter, improving your practice's cash flow. EDI also provides rapid editing and correction of potential billing errors. It's time for all physicians' practices to fully embrace EDI.

The new requirements imposed by HIPAA legislation have dramatically altered the process for submitting EDI claims, as well as your process for collecting health related data within your practice. So it is important that clinical and non-clinical staff understand those requirements and what steps you'll need to take to comply with HIPAA regulations.

To help you meet those goals, the WSMA, in collaboration with Dr. Joe Nichols of Care Delivery Consultants, is offering this comprehensive CD-based educational program. This CD will provide you with the necessary understanding of these important new concepts and functions, including:

- Overview of the HIPAA legislation relating to EDI transactions.
- EDI transactions: how they work and the new nomenclature.
- Structure and content of the HIPAA (837) claim transaction.
- Structure and content of the HIPAA (835) remittance advice transaction.
- Necessary changes in your current business processes for claim submission, as mandated by HIPAA's transaction requirements. Understand what new and different data you will need to collect and submit.
- Reconciliation of EDI claims: Your business operations process and HIPAA rules.
- EDI Transactions "check list".
- HIPAA transaction testing and the role of the physicians' practice.

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