

MMIS Insider

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*Oregon's Medicaid Management Information System:
A system for today **and** tomorrow*

The replacement Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) is almost here! There are less than 4 weeks until the December 9 go-live date. Are you ready?

Update your EDI software according to the new MMIS specifications

If you haven't already, make sure the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) transactions you currently exchange with DHS meet the specifications outlined in the Companion Guides for the replacement MMIS, posted on the new EDI Web site at www.oregon.gov/DHS/edi/resources.shtml.

All current trading partners must make sure their transactions meet the payer-specific requirements in these guides and do business-to-business (B2B) testing with DHS.

- Providers who submit their transactions directly to DHS need to contact their software vendor and make sure they can update their EDI transactions according to the new Guides.
- Providers who submit through an EDI submitter (clearinghouse, billing service, or Value-Added Network) must contact their submitter to find out what changes they need to make to their software so that their submitter can continue to send appropriate transactions to DHS.

Complete business-to-business testing for the new MMIS server

If you want to be able to exchange successful EDI transactions when your replacement MMIS goes live on December 9, make sure to complete testing as soon as possible. Just follow these steps:

- After you have updated your software, contact EDI Support Services for your password to the new SFTP server. Your Mailbox ID has not changed.
- Test your connectivity to new SFTP server. If unsuccessful, contact EDI Support Services for resolution.
- After successful login to the new server, contact EDI Support Services to begin testing.

For more information about DHS expectations for B2B testing, read the B2B Frequently Asked Questions at www.oregon.gov/DHS/edi/faqs.shtml#b2b.

Test these transactions!

- 837P, 837I, and 837D (Claims)
- 270/271 (Eligibility)
- 835 (Remittance Advice)
- 276/277 (Claims Status)

For more information, go to:
www.oregon.gov/DHS/edi



Beat the rush - Complete testing as soon as possible!

To make sure you complete testing before the replacement MMIS goes live, please be aware of possible delays or interruptions in testing starting in December:

- During the week of December 1, when DHS is transitioning from the old to new MMIS, there may be one or two business days when systems will be unavailable for testing.
- After December 9, DHS will continue testing for current submitters and begin the process of adding new submitters. This means that after go-live, you may experience longer response times and less availability from DHS EDI Support Services staff.

EDI transition timelines

These transition dates are for fee-for-service trading partners only. Managed care organizations can review the MMIS-MCO Go-Live Calendar at www.oregon.gov/DHS/mmis/mco/workgroup.shtml for their specific EDI transition dates.

November 28

- Last day (2:30 p.m.) to:
 - Submit 837 and 276 transactions.
 - Access EDI mailboxes to retrieve transactions.
- Last 835s sent for all claims except Point of Sale.
- Last day to complete B2B testing before go-live.

December 5

- Last day to submit 270 transactions (2:30 p.m.).
- Last 270/271s sent in current MMIS. You will still be able to refer to the client's 8.5 x 11" Medical Care ID, and Automated Information System (AIS) Web or telephone services for eligibility information.

December 9 - The replacement MMIS goes live

- First day to submit batch EDI submissions (270, 276, 837).
- B2B testing resumes for current trading partners.

December 22

- Change requests accepted for current trading partners.
- Registration and testing begins for new trading partners.
- Registration and testing begins for all transactions.

For more information

If you have any questions or concerns about EDI in the replacement MMIS, contact DHS EDI Support Services at DHS.EDISupport@state.or.us or 888-690-9888.

