



ISO ClaimSearch

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To: ISO ClaimSearch® Insurer Participant Home Office Contacts

Re: The ISO ClaimSearch Medicare Secondary Payer Reporting Service

Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 (MMSEA) (PAL. 110-173) imposes mandatory reporting requirements on liability, no-fault and workers compensation insurers. This legislation requires reporting of bodily injury claims filed by Medicare-eligible claimants to the Department of Health and Human Services Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

ISO is pleased to announce the ISO ClaimSearch Medicare Secondary Payer Reporting Service. The Service will report claims data to CMS on behalf of ISO ClaimSearch participating companies. Reporting through ISO offers significant savings and process efficiencies by leveraging the existing ISO ClaimSearch Universal Format claims reporting process.

ISO, working in conjunction with insurers and the insurance trade associations, has held discussions with CMS regarding the required data elements and reporting processes. CMS expects to finalize these details by February 2009. ISO is concurrently developing the necessary record layouts, registration procedures and processing workflows – including CMS acknowledgment and error rejection/correction routines – to allow ISO ClaimSearch customers to fully comply with the mandate.

While the CMS data element requirements are not final at this time, based on the interim requirements we expect that some ISO ClaimSearch data elements will need to be added or modified to assure compliance. Information on the new and modified fields for CMS from the interim record layout is attached. We will forward any additional changes to the ISO ClaimSearch record layouts as they are finalized.

Companies are required to register their data-reporting method with the CMS by June 30, 2009. Since it is important that your registration with CMS be aligned with your reporting to ISO ClaimSearch, we will provide guidance on the registration process as the deadline approaches. The instructions for registering with CMS can be accessed through the CMS website: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MandatoryInsRep/>.

CMS will assign a quarterly reporting period to each Required Reporting Entity (RRE) at registration. Companies must be ready to test reporting to CMS on July 1, 2009. The deadline for submission of production files based on the predetermined quarterly reporting schedule is January 1, 2010. All applicable claims open as of July 1, 2009 must be reported. For companies that subscribe to the ISO ClaimSearch Medicare Secondary Payer Reporting Service, ISO will support the testing process and manage the quarterly submissions on your behalf.

Due to the significant development efforts and ongoing production costs associated with this mandatory reporting requirement, we anticipate charging a modest optional fee to provide this service, beginning in 2010. At this time, we estimate that the charge for insurers will be approximately four percent of the ISO ClaimSearch Casualty participation fee. More specific information on pricing will be sent to companies in a separate communication.

If you wish ISO to report on your behalf, we ask that you notify us of your intent by returning the enclosed Compliance Reporting Notification Form to facilitate the process. The Form requests information on your

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reporting plans and your company contact person for the CMS reporting service. You may return the Form by fax to 201-748-1073 to Bryan Berkowitz, Compliance Specialist, or by mail to the address shown on the Form.

We will keep you advised of developments as they occur. If we can be of assistance to you, please contact John A. Giknis, assistant vice president, ISO ClaimSearch Operations, by telephone at 201-469-3103 or by e-mail at jgiknis@iso.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Della Rocca". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Rich Della Rocca
Vice President – ISO Claims Solutions

Enclosures: Compliance Reporting Notification Form
New Data Fields for CMS (interim record layout)