

May 13, 2009

Following up on our commitment to keep our clients and prospects informed regarding Section 111 listed below are highlights of the CMS conference call yesterday May 12, 2009:

1. CMS announced that the initial submission period will be pushed back until the second quarter of 2010.
2. The registration period has been extended. It now runs May 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009.
3. The mandatory testing period will now run July 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010.
4. The query function will be available for all registered RRE's who have passed the mandatory testing process beginning in July 2009.
5. TPOC (Total Payment Obligations to Claimants) settlements will now only be reported for those dated January 1, 2010 or later. The interim threshold amounts are still in effect.
6. ORM (Ongoing Responsibility for Medical) claims still have the January 1, 2009 look back date associated to them. This could change in the near future.
7. Those RRE's who have multiple RRE ID's and desire to have the same submission timeframe period for each may contact their EDI rep and request that this be addressed.
8. A new NGHP User's Guidebook will be forthcoming in the near future to address other changes and updates that CMS and the COBC are requesting. There may be some changes to the layout format and the data fields. We will forward this to each of you once it is released.

These are just the highlights from the call that occurred yesterday. There were many good questions that provoked thought and consideration for the CMS team. Another call is scheduled for tomorrow May 14th beginning at 1:00 EDT - see attachment on this email for all details. The call in number is 1-800-779-4354 and the pass code is SECTION 111. This call will focus on POLICY ONLY questions that you may have. You may submit your questions early at PL110-173SEC111-comments@cms.hhs.gov. We encourage you to listen in on these calls but if you miss them there are the audio and transcripts versions listed shortly thereafter on the CMS website.

Any further updates arising from the May 14th call will be forwarded to you by our team at MedAllocators on Friday. A copy of the Alert that has been posted on the CMS website is attached for review.

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