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HIPAA Transactions and Code Sets 2005- U.S. Healthcare Industry at a Tipping Point

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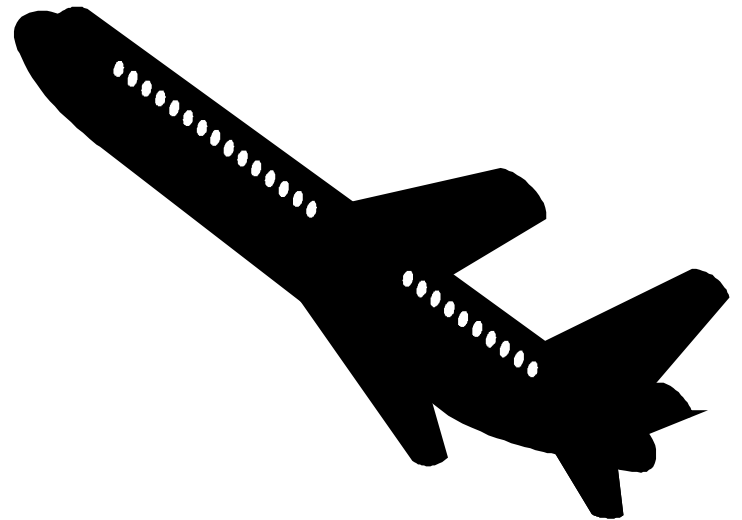


Where Have We Been?:

- 1993 WEDI calls for transactions use legislation
- 1996 Congress passes HIPAA Administrative Simplification
- 1998 Transactions and Code Sets NPRM published
- 1998 Standard Provider Identifier NPRM published
- 2000 Transactions and Code Sets Final Rule published
- 2002 Administrative Simplification Compliance Act (ASCA)
- 2003 Transaction Contingency Permitted
- 2004 Many covered entities utilizing the 837
- 2005 Claims Attachments NPRM Expected
- 2005 e-Prescribing NPRM published

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2005 – 2008 Challenges

- Many still view HPAA as a compliance issue, ignoring:
 - Acknowledgements
 - Business Rules for eligibility and benefits
 - Interoperability for security and data
 - The black holes (without acknowledgement)
- Many still limited by:
 - Legacy systems
 - Vendors that only support HIPAA requirements
 - Focusing on doing the least possible to comply
 - No national health plan identifier
 - The need to build consensus and act on how to identify individuals

2005 Major Milestones

- CMS will start issuing NPIs
- WEDI to recommend industry action on acknowledgements
- CAQH/WEDI are promoting collaboration to develop eligibility and benefit Business Rules
- HIPAA Security Rule compliance date April 21, 2005

How Does 2005-2008 Differ From 2001-2004?

- We are getting past the “claims” focus
- Recognition of the need for security and data interoperability (web services)
- Recognition of the need for Business Rules
- Recognition of the need for acknowledgements
- Industry, with government, is working to implement acknowledgements and business rules without regulations requiring them
- E-prescribing
- RHIOs
- “Those who are only interested in minimum compliance will be left behind .” Lazarus, 2005

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- Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI) www.wedi.org

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