

Industry HIPAA Implementation Hearings

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- ◆ Advisory role to HHS
- ◆ Hearings held in Tampa – January 27, 2004
- ◆ Testimony from 51 entities
- ◆ Recommendations to HHS – March 8, 2004
- ◆ Prioritized for NCVHS – May 26, 2004

THREE TYPES OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

- ◆ Current Implementation Issues
 - Need immediate attention to complete current mandates
- ◆ Ongoing Implementation Issues
 - Will improve the process over a longer period
- ◆ Strategic Implementation Issues
 - Long term improvements involving cooperative efforts of HHS, WEDI, Designated Standard Maintenance Organizations (DSMO's)

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- ◆ Current Implementation Issues
 - Focus on full compliance but maintain contingency
 - Focus effort on non-claim transactions
 - Implement standard acknowledgement and error reporting
 - Conduct comprehensive review of COB issues

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- ◆ Ongoing Implementation Issues
 - Develop standard test data
 - Expedite process to correct standards
 - Address data content / code set maintenance
 - Resolve coding guidelines

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◆ Strategic Implementation Issues

- Enhance outreach for provider input to standards
- Strive for balanced representation in standards organizations
- Encourage participation by business decision-makers
- Pilot standards before final rule
- Validate cost and benefit
- Enhance overall implementation process

CURRENT WEDI ACTIONS:

- ◆ Pursuing resolution for acknowledgements and error reporting
 - WEDI SNIP ‘front-end’ white paper
 - Member council dialogue
- ◆ CMS/WEDI pilot of claims attachment
- ◆ Recommending pilot assignment of NPI before mass enumeration
- ◆ Prompted remittance code review

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◆ WEDI WEB SITE

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