Two words: improve workflow



# HIPAA Vendor Readiness Siemens/HDX

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### **Siemens Medical Solutions**

- Is part of Siemens AG, a German Company
- Siemens Medical Solutions
  - Produces medical equipment and devices
  - Acquired SMS (Shared Medical Systems, Inc.) in June 2000
- SMS is now known as:
  - Siemens Medical Solutions Health Services Corporation
- Siemens Health Services develops Health Information Systems for:
  - Hospitals, Clinics, and other Hospital Ancillary Systems (e.g., Radiology or Laboratory systems)

## e.Health — HDX (Healthcare Data Exchange)

- e.Health is a business unit of Siemens Health Services
- HDX is part of e.Health (Healthcare EDI Clearinghouse)
- During 2001, All of Siemens Health Services were ISO 9001 Certified, including HDX
  - First major healthcare IT company
  - ISO 9001 is focused on satisfying customer requirements
  - Established business processes that are audited quarterly
  - Built on a Quality Management System
  - Process oriented
    - Product development, delivery, and support
    - Satisfies many regulatory requirements including FDA
    - Repeatable, sustained serviceability, high quality
    - Solutions driven by customer and regulatory requirements

# Siemens/HDX HIPAA Actions, External

- Industry Leadership
  - Led HIPAA Security Summit
  - NCVHS Testimony, NPRM Commentary
  - Workgroup for EDI (WEDI), SNIP
  - Membership:
    - X12, HL7, NCPDP, AFEHCT, DICOM, ASTM
  - Health Industry Lobbyists working for positive changes is health care regulations, (e.g., ASCA)
  - Participate in several Regional SNIPs Membership
- Customer, Industry Advocacy

### Siemens Products/Services

- Siemens provides application support of changes
  - Data Content
  - Code Sets
  - Security and privacy enhancements
    - Access controls, authorizations, change management
- Siemens Services
  - Professional services, gap analysis, planning, implementation
  - Education

# What will be Supported?

- Transactions
  - X12 format, content, code sets
  - Required Content per X12N Implementation Guides
- Privacy of Protected Health Information (PHI)
  - Siemens and HDX policies and procedures
  - Access Controls, Authentication, Audit logging
  - HDX Trading Partners need their own policies and procedures
- Security
  - As needed to support Privacy, Chain of Trust
  - Waiting for Final Rules, much addressed by Privacy
- Not a complete list, but illustrates the key points

### **Siemens Solutions**

- Siemens and HDX will certify transactions for format content using a third party certifying organization
  - Claredi
  - This has already proven to save us time with testing as we began to test with health plans
- Preferred X12 support is via HDX
- Support of other solutions is provided
  - OPENLink Interface Engine
  - Other Translators
  - Other Clearinghouses for in-house implementations

### **HDX Services**

- HDX is a Clearinghouse
  - Provide Translation services
  - Compliance checking/editing
    - X12 and Implementation Guide compliance
  - Provide connectivity
  - Transport and delivery of transactions to trading partners
  - Network security solutions required by each Payer
  - Provide version controls
  - Integration solutions with supporting vendors / applications

# **Transactions – HIPAA Impact**

- For HDX, HIPAA is a content issue
  - We've been using X12 transaction standards in our transaction services since 1993
  - We've participated at X12 since 1991
  - Siemens has participated at HL7 since the early 1980s
- HDX is working with our Integration Vendors to ensure content
- We're in the process of testing with a third party certifier
- We will certify our transactions with Claredi
- We expect to offer third party certification to our customers

### **Transaction Services**

270/271 - Integrated Eligibility Service, Since 1993 - GA

Browser Based Eligibility Service, Introduced 2002 - GA

(Converts HTML and XML to 270/271 transactions)

835 - Electronic Remittance Service, Since 1994 - GA

NCPDP - Pharmacy Claims Services, Since 1997 - GA

278 - Integrated Notifications, Authorizations, Referrals, Since 1999 - available 2003 need addenda

837 - Claims and Encounter Services (837) Since 2001 - 3Q02

#### **Future Services:**

276/277 - Claim Status Inquiry - available 2003

277/275 - Claim Attachments - date TBD

277 - Claim Processing Report – date TBD

# Siemens/HDX HIPAA Actions, Internal

**✓** Rollout Readiness:

✓ Packaging

✓ Testing

- Cross Functional Development Teams (Jan. 1999)
  - Analyzed the Requirements
  - Common Component Design
- Gap Analyses (version upgrades)
- Product Specific Design started with NPRMs
   Certification
- Development based on Final Rules
- Communication Events (webcasts)
- Siemens and HDX are distinct legal entities
- Developed or modified current policies and procedures for security and PHI
- Employee Education: HIPAA University, ASAP, Siemens Intranet courses

# Thank you!

Questions?