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MEMO

DATE: February 28, 2012
FROM: Provider Services Department
RE: HIPAA 5010 Transactions

We have received several inquiries about the note that CMS sent out regarding HIPAA 5010 transactions (<https://www.cms.gov/ICD10/Downloads/CMSStatement5010EnforcementDiscretion111711.pdf>) and the Alliance is aware of the approaching March 31, 2012 date. Since this date is approaching quickly, the Alliance's primary focus will be to assist and support EDI providers who are ready to switch to 5010. As per the link, enforcement action with respect to any HIPAA covered entity that is not in compliance with the ASC X12 Version 5010 (Version 5010) will begin on March 31, 2012.

The Alliance is also aware of the inquiries about the 5010 835 RA with regards to reporting the cutback amount on the 5010 835 RA, the explain codes reported in the LQ segment, and the adjustment segment of CAS*CO*234 for ancillary lines that are not paid separately.

At this time the Alliance is focused and committed to helping our providers convert from 4010 to 5010 standards. The request for cutback information on the 5010 835 RA is currently a lower priority than helping our providers who are ready to adopt 5010 standards and will be looked into as time permits.

With regards to the 5010 835 RA explain codes being reported in the LQ segment and the adjustment segment of CAS*CO*234 for ancillary lines that are not paid separately, our business practice for the 5010 835 RA will remain as per 5010 HIPAA compliance guidelines and per our consultants who work for Washington Publishing Company (WPC). WPC are experts for 5010 HIPAA compliance as they publish the X12 guides which dictate the 5010 HIPAA Rules for all the electronic transactions including 837 Claims Submission and 835 RA. It is according to the 5010 HIPAA compliance guidelines and WPC that we use Remittance Advice Remark Codes (RARC) and Claim Adjustment Reason Codes (CARC) for explain codes and for ancillary lines of services that are not paid that an adjustment segment of CAS*CO*234 be used. The 5010 835 RA will remain as is as the Alliance maintains 5010 HIPAA Compliance.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Alliance EDI Support Team at edisupport@ccah-alliance.org