DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop N1-19-21

Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850

**Notice of Compliance Review**

Date of Notice: FULLDATE

CONTACTNAME

JOBTITLE

CENAME

ADDRESS1

ADDRESS2

CITY, ST ZIP

Re: Compliance Review Number **XXXXX**

Dear FIRSTNAME LASTNAME:

The purpose of this notice is to inform you that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Standards Group (NSG) within the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), has randomly selected **<Covered Entity Name>** to be the subject of a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and Affordable Care Act (ACA) compliance review.

As part of the **<Covered Entity Name>** compliance review, an assessment will be conducted to determine compliance with the Administrative Simplification provisions as outlined in 45 CFR Parts 160 and 162. The assessment includes a review of the HIPAA mandated transactions, code sets, unique identifiers and operating rules, and will take approximately 30 days. Violations discovered during the assessment may result in the implementation of a corrective action plan.

Further in this notice is a request for specific information and artifacts to be provided by your organization (see Parts B and C). All information and artifacts requested within this notice must be uploaded to the ASETT Covered Entity Portal no later than (month, day, year (within 10 business days)). Please refer to the *CMS Identity Management (IDM) System and Compliance Review Covered Entity Portal Access Quick Start User Guide* to review instructions for accessing the ASETT Covered Entity Portal.

Once received, we will review the documentation and notify you if it is satisfactory or additional information is needed. All sensitive and/or confidential information received will be protected to the full extent required by federal law.

If at any time you are unable to serve as the designated contact person for the <**Covered Entity Name**> compliance review, please notify us immediately in writing, and provide a replacement contact name, address, telephone number, and email address.

NSG is responsible for promoting compliance of the HIPAA Administrative Simplification requirements as referenced in 45 CFR Part 160.308. Additional information pertaining to compliance can be found on the CMS website at: [CMS Regulations and Guidance](https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Administrative-Simplification/Enforcements).

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please send an email to [HIPAAcompliance@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:hipaacomplaint@cms.hhs.gov). Please include the compliance review number located at the top of this notice.

Sincerely,

**Michael Cimmino**

Director, National Standards Group

Office of Healthcare Experience and Interoperability

Enclosures: Parts A, B, C

**Part A -Assessment Objectives, Scope, and Review Process**

**Assessment Objectives**

The objective of the compliance review program is to conduct assessments and identify whether a covered entity is compliant with the HIPAA adopted standards, and administrative simplification. In addition, it affords the opportunity to correct noted deficiencies, allowing the covered entity to address compliance issues before they potentially result in a complaint.

**Assessment Scope**

The scope of the assessment consists of the following actions:

* Random selection of a covered entity
* Notification to the covered entity
* Artifact request from the covered entity
* Artifacts provided by the covered entity
* Assessment review conducted
* Assessment outcome reported to covered entity
* Covered entity reviews assessment outcome
* Covered entity responds to assessment outcome
* If necessary, covered entity referred for corrective action
* Assessment finalized

**Assessment Process**

The assessment is to determine if the selected covered entity is compliant with adopted standards, including transactions, code sets, unique identifiers, and operating rules. The following are used during the assessment process:

* HIPAA mandated electronic transactions
* EDIFECS Onboarding and Testing Cloud Service (OTCS) and Transaction Management (TM) validation tool results, which is accessed through the Administrative Simplification Enforcement and Testing Tool (ASETT)
* X12 Implementation guides (TR3s) and Requests for Interpretation (RFIs)
* Applicable code sets
* Applicable Council for Affordable Quality Healthcare Committee on Operating Rules for Information Exchange (CAQH CORE) operating rules and attestations
* Applicable companion guides

**Part B - Entity Information**

This section is intended to collect organization and contact information. A qualified member of the organization must complete all applicable sections.

| **Section 1. Organization and Point of Contact Information** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Organization Information** | | | | |  |  |  | | | |  |  |
| Organization Name: |  | | | DBA[[1]](#footnote-2): | |  | | | | | | |
| Contact Name: |  | | | Title: | |  | | | | | | |
| Telephone: |  | | | E-mail: | |  | | | | | | |
| Business Address: |  | | | City: | |  | | | | | | |
| State/Province: |  | Country: |  | | | | | | Zip: |  | | |
| URL: |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Point of Contact Information** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Organization Name: |  | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Contact Name: |  | | | Title: | |  | | | | | | |
| Telephone: |  | | | E-mail: | |  | | | | | | |
| Business Address: |  | | | City: | |  | | | | | | |
| State/Province: |  | Country: |  | | | | | Zip: | |  | | |
| URL: |  | | | | | | | | | | | |

| **Section 2. Type of Covered Entity (check all that apply)** |
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| Large Health Plan[[2]](#footnote-3)  Large Provider[[3]](#footnote-4)  Large Institution |
| Small Health Plan[[4]](#footnote-5)  Small Provider[[5]](#footnote-6)  Small Institution |
| Clearinghouse  Business Associate  Other (please specify): |

| **Section 3. Operating Rule Certification** |
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| Has your organization obtained a voluntary Operating Rule seal from CORE? If so, when was it obtained? (Certificate status must be current and not revoked.) |
| **YES**  **NO**  **Date of Certificate**: Format to enter date of operating rules certification certificate |

| **Section 4. Business Relationships** |
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| Does your organization have a relationship with one or more third-party agents (clearinghouses, vendors, etc.) that conduct transactions or operating rules (ORs) on your behalf?  Yes  No |
| Please provide company name(s) and points of contact for each third-party relationship:   | Company Name | Contact Name | Transaction/OR | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |

| **Section 5. Acknowledgments** |  | |
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| By signing below, I attest that the information provided as part of this questionnaire is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.  Please double click the “X” to insert an electronic signature. | | |
|  | | ***Date:*** Select a date. |
| ***Contact Person Name:*** | | ***Title:*** |

**Part C - Artifact Request**

**ENTITY TYPE:** Select an option.

**DUE DATE:** Select a date.

Prior to uploading transaction artifacts, you must accept the invitation to register in the Compliance Review Program in Onboarding and Testing Cloud Services (OTCS) via the ASETT Compliance Review Covered Entity Portal. Please refer to the Compliance Review Covered Entity Portal User Manual to review instructions for accepting the Compliance Review Program invitation and testing transaction artifacts in the Compliance Review Covered Entity Portal. A link to the Compliance Review Covered Entity Portal User Manual is provided at the top of the ASETT Covered Entity Portal Welcome Page.

Upload all requested artifacts marked below to the ASETT Covered Entity Portal by or before the established due date. As a reminder, all non-transaction artifacts are to be uploaded via the Upload Documents section in the ASETT Covered Entity Portal. All transaction artifacts must be uploaded in OTCS. Please refer to the Compliance Review Covered Entity Portal User Manual to review instructions for uploading artifacts.

All transaction files must be the original file that was sent to your trading partner and be in a readable text format (.txt, .edi or .dat). Non-transaction documents should be either Microsoft Word, Excel, or PDF formats. Do not copy and paste transaction data into new files as all transaction files must be the original file sent to your trading partner. We reserve the right to contact your trading partners if the need arises.

Please note, the ASETT Compliance Review Covered Entity Portal has a 4.8MB file size limit. Files that exceed 4.8MB, or documents with embedded files or password protection will produce an upload error.

Please use the following file-naming convention for single transaction files:

Transaction Number\_Covered Entity Name\_Original File Name.File Extension

* **Transaction Number** is the transaction set number, e.g., 270, 271, etc.
* **Covered Entity Name** is your organization’s (the covered entity) name
* **Original File Name** is optional
  + If original file name has multiple nodes (period (.) separators), please replace with underscores (\_)
* **File Extension** is the file extension type (.txt, .edi, or .dat)

**DOCUMENTATION REQUESTS**

Completed Assessment Package Form (this notice, Part B).

Companion Guides for transactions marked below, if applicable.

Completed Operating Rule Attestation for the following 5010 transaction(s) and EFT: 270, 271, 276, 277 and 835.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**PROVIDER TRANSACTION REQUESTS**

**Delete this section if not used.**

005010X279A1, 270 Health Care Eligibility Verification Request

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 270 unaltered file and all previous 270 unaltered files until a minimum of XX requests has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X212, 276 Health Care Claim Status

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 276 unaltered file and all previous 276 unaltered files until a minimum of XX requests has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X217, 278 Health Care Services Review - Request

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 278 unaltered file and all previous 278 unaltered files until a minimum of XX requests has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X223A2, 837 Health Care Claim - Institutional

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 837I unaltered file and all previous 837I unaltered files until a minimum of XX claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X222A1, 837 Health Care Claim - Professional

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 837P unaltered file and all previous 837P unaltered files until a minimum of XX claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X224A2, 837 Health Care Claim - Dental

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 837D unaltered file and all previous 837D unaltered files until a minimum of XX claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

NCPDP D.0 Pharmacy Claim

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production NCPDP D.0 unaltered file and all previous NCPDP D.0 unaltered files until a minimum of XX claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

**HEALTH PLAN TRANSACTION REQUESTS**

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005010X279A1, 271 Health Care Eligibility Verification Response

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005010X212, 277 Health Care Claim Status Response

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005010X217, 278 Health Care Services Review - Response

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005010X221A1, 835 Health Care Claim Payment/Advice Transactions

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 835 unaltered file and all previous 835 unaltered files until a minimum of XX claim payments has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X223A2, 837 Health Care Claim - Institutional (COB Only)

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 837I unaltered file and all previous 837I unaltered files until a minimum of XX COB claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X222A1, 837 Health Care Claim - Professional (COB Only)

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 837P unaltered file and all previous 837P unaltered files until a minimum of XX COB claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X224A2, 837 Health Care Claim - Dental (COB Only)

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 837D unaltered file and all previous 837D unaltered files until a minimum of XX COB claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

NCPDP D.0 Pharmacy Claim (COB Only)

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production NCPDP D.0 unaltered file and all previous NCPDP D.0 unaltered files until a minimum of XX COB claims has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X218, 820 Premium Payment

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 820 unaltered file and all previous 820 unaltered files until a minimum of XX premium payments has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request.

005010X220A1, 834 Benefits Enrollment and Maintenance

* + Starting with the \_\_ day of month, provide the last production 834 unaltered file and all previous 834 unaltered files until a minimum of XX enrollments has been reached. This may consist of one or more files to meet the minimum request

**CLEARINGHOUSE TRANSACTION REQUESTS**

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005010X79A1, 270 Health Care Eligibility Verification Request

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005010X79A1, 271 Health Care Eligibility Verification Response

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005010X212, 276 Health Care Claim Status

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005010X212, 277 Health Care Claim Status Response

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2. 1 DBA (Doing Business As…)

   2 Annual receipts >$5 million [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. 3 Provider with 25 or more full-time employees, or a physician, practitioner, facility, or supplier with 10 or more full-time equivalent employees [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. 4 Annual receipts ≤ $5 million [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. 5 Provider with less than 25 full-time employees, or a physician, practitioner, facility, or supplier with less than 10 full-time equivalent employees [↑](#footnote-ref-6)