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PC-Ace Software Users – Important Notification Regarding MAC J5 Changes

Dear Iowa Medicare Part B EDI Trading Partner:

This is a supplement to the December 2007 letter you received regarding Medicare MAC Jurisdiction 5 transition to WPS effective 2/1/2008. According to information provided by your current Medicare contractor, Noridian, your office may currently be using PC-Ace software to submit Part B claims.

It has recently been determined that as of 2/1/2008, your office will no longer be able to use the Noridian-supplied version of PC-Ace software to enter and submit Medicare claims to WPS. ***If you wish to continue using PC-Ace software for Medicare billing after 2/1/2008, you will need to obtain and install WPS' PC-Ace version.***

Where to Obtain WPS' Version of PC-Ace Software

WPS' version of PC-Ace is available for download from our web site at http://www.wpsic.com/edi/med_macj5.shtml. You will need to select "Install PC-Ace Pro32 Version 1.84", and add the appropriate Iowa Part B contractor ID (05102) following the instructions provided on our web site.

After you have installed WPS' PC-Ace version, you will be able to copy the patient database from your Noridian PC-Ace version to your new WPS version using the instructions located at the above-mentioned link to our web site.

Please note that only one version of PC-Ace software can be installed on a single PC. If you continue to use Noridian's version of PC-Ace for other claim types (or a PC-Ace version from any other source) after MAC Jurisdiction 5 transition, WPS' PC-Ace version will need to be placed on a separate PC.

PC-Ace Information in Previous Transition Notifications

Previous notifications from WPS incorrectly indicated that if you currently use PC-ACE software to submit your Medicare claims, you may continue to use that version to send claims to WPS after transition. It has now been determined that you must convert to WPS' PC-Ace version for MAC Jurisdiction 5 transition, as Noridian's version does not allow for necessary changes to submit Medicare claim files to WPS.

Testing Your EDI Transactions

Prior to submission of production claim data, you will need to submit a test transaction to WPS to ensure there will be no problems with your production claims after transition.

Effective immediately, after you have completed the self-registration process described in our December 2007 notification, you may submit a test claim file to our WPS BBS at any time prior to 2/1/08. We do, however, encourage you to test as soon as possible to avoid any production submission or cash flow delays that could result from test file issues or problems.

How to Contact the EDI Team at WPS

We've established a new toll-free EDI support phone number for Iowa Part B providers. If you have any questions or concerns regarding PC-Ace software billing for MAC Jurisdiction 5, please contact us at 1-866-503-9670 or EDIMedicareB@wpsic.com.

Sincerely,

WPS Electronic Data Services