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Preface

This Companion Document to the ASC X12N Implementation Guides adopted under the Healthcare Insurance Portability and Accountability Act-Administrative Simplification (HIPAA_AS) clarifies and specifies the data content when exchanging data electronically with Wellmark. Transmissions based on this companion document, used in tandem with the *X12N Implementation Guides*, are compliant with both X12 syntax and those guides.

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Appendices

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A Implementation Checklist

The following transactions are available to registered Wellmark Groups:

820 Premiums Payments – The following tasks must be completed before sending premium payment transactions to the Production Environment of INet:

- Register with EC Solutions to acquire a submitter ID. Once you receive a submitter number you are eligible to send enrollment transactions electronically.
- You must have a valid NPI on file with Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield to receive a submitter number from EC Solutions.
- Transmit a premium payment transaction to INet.

834 Benefit Enrollment and Maintenance – The following tasks must be completed before sending benefit enrollment and maintenance transactions to the Production Environment of INet.

- If you are not registered with Wellmark, your Group Representative needs to call Wellmark's Group Enrollment Group to register.
- Register with EC Solutions to acquire a submitter ID. Once you receive a submitter number you are eligible to send enrollment transactions electronically.
- You must have a valid NPI registered with Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield to receive a submitter number from EC Solutions.
- Transmit an enrollment transaction to INet.
- Download a report from INet on the status of the claims.

The following transactions are available to eligible Health Care Practitioners and Facilities:

837 Health Care Claims – The following tasks must be completed before sending claims transactions to the Production Environment of INet:

- If you do not have a valid NPI registered with Wellmark, you will need to contact Wellmark's Provider Credentialing Department at **800-708-1342** to report your NPI.
- Register with EDS EC Solutions to acquire a submitter ID. Once you receive a submitter number you are eligible to send claims transactions electronically.
- Transmit claim files to INet.
- Download reports from INet on the status of the claims.

270 Eligibility Verification and Benefit Inquiry - The following tasks must be completed before sending an eligibility/benefit inquiry transaction to the Production Environment of INet:

- Transmit an eligibility/benefit transaction to INet.
- Download a report from INet on the status of the claims.

276 Health Claim Status Inquiry – The following tasks must be completed before sending a claims status inquiry transaction to the Production Environment of INet:

- Transmit a Health claims status inquiry transaction to INet.
- Download a report from INet on the status of the claims.

278 Referral Certification and Authorization – The following tasks must be completed before sending a referral certification and authorization transactions to the Production Environment of INet.

- Transmit a referral certification and authorization transaction to INet.
- Download a report from INet on the status of the claims.

For more information on the above transactions, refer to the *HIPAA Implementation Guide*.

B Business Scenarios

This appendix contains free format text descriptions of typical business scenarios. The transmission examples for these scenarios are included in Appendix C.

837 Health Care Claims Transactions

Wellmark requires certain submitters to use a specific 837 transaction to submit claims. Other payers may or may not require the same transaction format.

837I (UB-92 Submitters for Wellmark)

Hospital
Skilled Nursing
Home Health
Free-Standing Substance Abuse
Hospice
Ambulatory Surgery

837P (CMS – 1500 Submitters for Wellmark)

Health Care Practitioners (MD, DO, DPM, OD, DC, ARNP, PA)
Durable Medical Equipment Suppliers including Orthotics and Prosthetics
Independent Ambulance
Rural Health Clinics
Dentists submitting claims for accidental injuries
Home Infusion Therapy
Physical, Occupational, Speech Therapy

837D (ADA Universal Claim submitted to Aware Dental)

Dentists

C Transmission Examples

This appendix contains actual data streams linked to the business scenarios from Appendix B.

D Frequently Asked Questions

For Frequently Asked Questions, visit the HIPAA-AS Resource Center on the Wellmark web site. The HIPAA-AS Resource Center can be found in each of the site's corners.

E Change Summary

This Change Summary identifies the changes to the Appendix section of the Wellmark's *Companion Guide*. Change summaries for other sections will be found at the end of each section or transaction chapter. Changes on the web will also be noted by blue text with a yellow note in the margin that explains the reason for the change and gives the date of the change.