



Coventry Workers' Comp Services and Ingenix Align Complementary Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Products

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has announced new reporting mandates, within Section 111 of the Medicare, Medicaid & SCHIP Extension Act (MMSEA), for liability insurance (including self-insurance), no-fault insurance and workers' compensation.

Coventry Workers' Comp Services, a leader in Medicare Set-Aside's, has partnered with Ingenix, a proven and experienced EDI and reporting leader, to provide a comprehensive solution for insurers and self insured employers to comply with the Mandatory Insurer Reporting (MIR) requirements.

Effective July 1, 2009, the CMS mandate requires certain enterprises, referred to as "responsible reporting entities" (RREs) to electronically report specified information with respect to Medicare beneficiaries who receive settlements, judgments, awards or other payment from self-insured employers, liability, no-fault and workers' comp insurers. This information is intended to help CMS determine who is responsible for paying for medical expenses related to the claim. In a CMS alert issued May 11th, the deadlines for registration, testing and submissions have all been pushed out one quarter.

The mandate essentially makes the RREs responsible for identifying and reporting on patients who may have medical expenses that are subject to Medicare reimbursement.

Meeting the reporting requirements could be costly, time consuming and confusing. The penalty for non-compliance is \$1,000 per claim per day and the failure to protect Medicare's Conditional Payments (liens) in settlements are even more costly.

The reporting solution will ensure RREs comply with the evolving data requirements, identify appropriate claims and establish electronic reporting systems that will reduce both the pain of compliance and the risk of non-compliance.

Unlike some other industry solutions being offered, this partnership affords a solution that emphasizes the core competencies of each organization. Coventry's Work Comp MSA team is dedicated to accuracy, quality and timeliness when delivering Medicare Set Aside Allocations. Ingenix offers great strength in the area of data capture, migration and integrity within the EDI world.

Contact your Coventry Workers' Comp sales or account management representative today to discuss how the CWCS-Ingenix solution delivers an integrated program to meet your MSA and Medicare Conditional Payment (lien) obligations for qualifying cases, as well as your reporting responsibilities under the soon to be effective MMSEA reporting requirements.