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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 24, 2007

TO: eBill Stakeholders, Insurance Carriers, and Interested Parties

FROM: Allen McDonald, Director, Information Management Services

RE: Division eBill Stakeholder Meeting – Tuesday, November 13th

The Division has scheduled an eBill Stakeholder Meeting for Tuesday, November 13th from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (Central Time). The meeting will take place at the Division's Central Office, 7551 Metro Center Drive, Suite 100, Austin, Texas in the Tippy Foster Meeting Room 1.107A, <http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/webinfo/tdidwc.html>.

Over the last month, various stakeholders have requested clarifications to the Division's current eBill implementation guide. The majority of these requests center on further aligning the workers' compensation eBill requirements to the existing Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) standards. During the November meeting, stakeholders are requested to provide feedback to the items contained on the clarification list, which can be found at: <http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/ebill/documents/ebcgproclr1007.xls>

In addition to minor clarification items, the Division needs stakeholder feedback on five issues which may introduce some shift in current processes or programming efforts:

- Clarifying that the National Provider Identification (NPI) number must be included on paper claims only when the health care provider is required to have a NPI number by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA);
- Modifying the taxonomy code usage to "situational" consistent with HIPAA standards and conditions;
- Clarifying the use of the "optional" bill resubmission reason codes data element (837/2300/CLM/CLM19) to ensure that transactions that do not contain this HIPAA "not used" data element are accepted and processed by insurance carriers;
- Determining if the date of accident in the remittance advice (835/2100/DTM) is needed to allow providers to match bills to responses; and
- Determining if the prescription number in the remittance advice (835/2100/REF) is needed to allow providers to match bills to responses.

The Division will provide a conference call for those participants who do not wish to appear in person. The conference call is limited to the first 125 callers and may be accessed by calling: (877) 226-9790 and entering access code 9278155.

Questions or comments may be directed to Allen McDonald at 512-804-4530 or by email at: allen.mcdonald@tdi.state.tx.us.