



# Texas Department of Insurance

## Division of Workers' Compensation

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Workers' Compensation System Participants

**FROM:** Allen McDonald, Director, Information Management Services

**DATE:** August 12, 2008

**RE:** Proposed Clarifications to the Texas eBill Companion Guide

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The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (TDI-DWC) has posted proposed clarifications to the current *Texas Clean Claim & eBill Workers' Compensation Companion Guide* on the agency website for stakeholder feedback. These documents may be found at: <http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/wc/ebill/index.html>.

TDI-DWC is proposing a new version of the companion guide that is a clarification document to the *ASC X12 Implementation Guide* and the *NCPDP Telecommunication Standard Implementation Guide Version 5.1*. These national standards define the software requirements for eBilling, including the nomenclature, data attributes, data element definitions, conditions, code values, and structures. The proposed new guide highlights changes to the national standards that are necessary in the Texas workers' compensation system. A clarification-tracking document has also been included to explain the proposed clarifications to the current guide (version 2.0), where applicable.

During the proposed clarification process, system participants should refer to the information contained in Chapter 5 for Texas-specific issues and the applicable *ASC X12 Implementation Guide* or the *NCPDP Telecommunication Standard Implementation Guide Version 5.1* for technical guidance. The *ASC X12 Implementation Guides* are available from the Washington Publishing Company at [www.wpc-edi.com](http://www.wpc-edi.com). The *NCPDP Telecommunication Standard Implementation Guide Version 5.1* is available from the National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) at [www.ncdp.org](http://www.ncdp.org).

TDI-DWC is also proposing clarifications to Chapter 2 of the Clean Claim Instructions to conform to the standards published by the National Uniform Claims Committee and the National Uniform Billing Committee. Modifications are also proposed to the DWC Form-066, *Statement of Pharmacy Services*.

Comments and feedback on the proposed clarifications and questions regarding workers' compensation eBill transactions or other format related issues can be emailed to [TXComp.Help@tdi.state.tx.us](mailto:TXComp.Help@tdi.state.tx.us). The proposed clarifications will be discussed during the eBill Stakeholder Meeting on August 25th. Questions regarding this memorandum may be directed to Allen McDonald, Director of Information Management Services, at 512-804-4530 or [allen.mcdonald@tdi.state.tx.us](mailto:allen.mcdonald@tdi.state.tx.us).