

CMS HIPAA UPDATE

Moving Towards Compliance

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Testing – Testing 1-2-3? Are you sure you will be able to send and receive HIPAA-compliant electronic transactions after the October 16, 2003 deadline? Fewer than 100 days remain! Will you be ready?



FREE Satellite Broadcasts

CMS to Re-Air “HIPAA 101: Basics of Administrative Simplification” on **July 30**.

For more information visit <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/medlearn> and click on “satellite broadcasts. Host sites are encouraged to register.

Upcoming events

CMS Workshops for small providers! – Focus is on implementing the critical electronic transactions and code set requirements. Reservations are on a first-come first-served basis, however they are required as space is limited. Preference will be given to those providers located in the geographic area of a workshop.

- **July 24 & 25, 2003 — Duluth, MN** at the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center. For more information visit: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa/hipaa2/events/default.asp#vendorforum>
- **August 1, 2003 – Fort Dodge, IA** at the BestWestern Starlite Village. For more information e-mail HIPAAKC@cms.hhs.gov or call 816-426-5783.

Employer Conference on HIPAA - Are you an employer in need of information on HIPAA? CMS’ Dallas and Atlanta offices are co-sponsoring this national conference with the Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI) and the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). For more information visit www.wedi.org/public/articles/dis_viewArticle.cfm?ID=198.

New HIPAA Resources!

FREE CMS Fax Back Service! Looking for information on HIPAA but don’t have Internet access? Several documents are available by calling 800-874-5894. Have you fax number ready when you call.

FREE Webcast on HIPAA – CMS’ Dallas and Atlanta Office are sponsoring a free webcast for health care providers. You can choose any of the following presentations:

- HIPAA Message to Providers from the Southern Consortium Administrator
- HIPAA Basics
- Provider Steps to Getting Paid under HIPAA
- *New!* HIPAA Security

For more information on FaxBack & Webcast:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa/hipaa2/education/HIPAATraining.asp#FaxBack>

HIPAA Roundtable!

- **July 31, 2003- 2:00 – 3:00 PM EST**
- Call in number is 1-877-381-6315
- Conference ID # is 1596405