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Sending NPI only May 23 Deadline

***** Updates *****

Industry-Wide Enforcement of the National Provider Identifier (NPI) Compliance Date

On and after May 23, 2008, providers **MUST** begin using **only** their **NPI** (National Provider Identifier) on all HIPAA electronic transactions and paper claims submitted. All claims submitted after this deadline that have both NPI numbers and Legacy numbers or Legacy numbers only will be rejected. CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) is now requesting that providers begin to submit test claims without legacy/PIN numbers as currently used to begin to test claims and processing systems with NPI numbers only. After providers have *first* submitted claims containing both NPI number(s) and legacy identifiers and those claims have been processed correctly, Medicare urges you to next send a small batch of claims with only the NPI in the primary provider fields.

In an effort to make the transition easier, we have programmed the **following new PowerSoftMD enhancements:**

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984 Insurance Legacy Numbers - Insurance Carriers Option from Utility Menu

1) On the Insurance Carrier Record there is a new field you can mark, "Don't send legacy fields: 17a,24i,24j,32b,33b"
If you check this box these Legacy HCFA Insurance claim fields indicated, will not be send on either paper or electronic claims.

2) There is also a new option to check this box for all carriers, if you wish. From the Carrier screen, select the top "Tools" option then "Mark Not to Send Legacy Fields for All Carriers".

To use these new options you will need to install the latest version of PowerSoftMD from the Internet. The following page gives detailed instructions of how to download and install the updates. If you do not have access to high speed Internet, please call us and we will send you and update CD.

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Updates via the Internet

WARNING – We always highly recommend making sure you back up before applying any changes.

From a Work Station or the Main Computer.

1. Do one of the following:
 - Open PowerSoftMD, from the Primary Menu select the Top toolbar “Tools” option then “Internet Download Updates”.
 - or
 - If viewing the Version Update Reminder Screen select the Green button.

You will be prompted with a message telling which **drive letter** you will Need to use when you unzip the download file, **make note of it.**

2. This should link to our update file and allow you to download it.
3. Once downloaded, change the folder name from **X:** to **Z:** where **Z** is the network drive letter you use to network. (Typically H:\ or G:\, whatever letter you made note of in step 1 above.)
4. Next click the Unzip button.
5. When prompted for a password it is **up2310super**
6. After the files are unzipped your main computer will be updated, you **must update each work station.** Use the top Toolbar Menu “Tools” option, then “Work Station Update” to update each work station.

NOTE: If the unzip password doesn't work, contact Data Tec and ask for the Current Internet Update Password.