Medical EDI Progressing: We wouldn't be here without all your help!

Thank you for all your hard work registering WA Self-Insured Employers (SIEs), setting up systems, testing, and ensuring available data for reporting! As a result, we have about 95% registered SIEs with 85% production ready. Of those, 43% are reporting medical bills in production.

IAIABC Requests Trading Partner List for Licensing Fee

In the coming weeks, you can expect to hear from the IAIABC regarding the licensing fee for use of the Medical R2.0 standard. The fee:

- Applies to non-members (Trading Partners) who report directly to a Jurisdiction using one of the IAIABC EDI Standards
- Is an annual fee of $250, regardless of the number of registered and reporting Insurers for the Trading Partner.

For more information, see the IAIABC's EDI Licensing [FAQs](#).

New Decision on Reporting of Nurse Case Manager Bills

Washington has decided not to require that Nurse Case Manager bills be reported. The [FAQs](#) on the WA EDI website have been updated to reflect the decision.

Some Tips with Reporting - Let's talk error correction

We have work to do on error correction, most of which is on the match data: Self-Insured Employer Federal Employment Insurance Number (FEIN), Jurisdiction Claim Number (JCN), and Worker Date of Birth (DOB). In order for a bill to be accepted, the:

1. Self-Insured Employer (Insurer) FEIN has to match the Trading Partner registration
2. JCN has to be established in the L&I system
3. Worker DOB and Insurer FEIN need to match the values associated with that claim in our system.

The majority of match data errors are due to JCNs that aren't yet established in our system.

When the claim does exist in our system but DOB doesn't match, please:

- Verify that the DOB you are sending is correct
- Contact us at [WALNIEDI](#) so we can assist you.

A Unique Issue: How WA State claim numbers are assigned

In order to try to prevent bill rejections, we want to talk about how claim numbers are assigned in Washington. Self-insured employers are assigned blocks of claim numbers. The Self-Insured Employer, in turn, assigns a claim number to each claim reported to them.

When a Self-Insured Employer assigns a specific claim number (JCN), Washington State Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) doesn't know about it right away. That claim number won't exist in our system until the Self-Insured Employer (or their third party claims administrator) successfully reports the claim to L&I.

Self-Insured Employers can report their claims to L&I in two ways:
- The fastest way to establish a claim is to report it via the Self-Insurance Electronic Data Reporting System (SIEDRS).
- Claim paperwork may also be filed via mail or fax. However, the paper process is slower, and is likely to delay ability to begin submitting medical bills. See "Sending Documents to Self-Insurance" found on our Contact Us webpage.

So, a valid state claim number may be associated with a particular claim; but that valid claim and claim number might not yet be reported to L&I. *Until the Self-Insured Employer reports the claim, you will continue to receive the "no match on database" error when trying to report medical bill data.*

How to check whether the claim is established in L&I's system

Before submitting medical bills make sure the claim has **first** been established in Washington L&I's claim system. To check whether the claim has been established in the L&I claims system, go to the Claims and Account Center (CAC).

You must first be granted access by the My Secure LNI account manager, normally the Self-Insured Employer or their Third Party Administrator (TPA). Once you get access, you can check whether the claim is established in the L&I claims system. If it's not yet established, you will get a message indicating "the claim does not exist".

Registration and Reporting Questions?
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