

## **NEWS from Self-Insurance**

## **Submit bills on proper forms**

**Important:** This message is for health care providers treating Self-Insured workers. Vocational counselors may disregard.

## What is the WA Medical Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)?

Self-Insured Employers (SIEs) in Washington must send their medical bill and payment data electronically to Labor & Industries (L&I). Provider bills must meet the standards defined by the ASCx12.

This is not a new requirement, however SIEs will no longer accept bills that do not meet the national standards. The forms below meet the standards. Bills submitted on other forms will be returned as not payable.

Having both self-insured and state fund medical bill data enables future policy analysis and development to consider all Washington workers and employers.

## What does this mean for medical providers?

Avoid payment delays by submitting the required information on the proper billing form.

Choose the billing form that best fits the type of service provided:

- **1. Professional:** CMS 1500 Form (formerly HCFA 1500) for most providers, including Independent Medical Examiners
- 2. Institutional: <u>UB-04 CMS 1450 Form</u> for hospitals (inpatient and outpatient care).
- 3. Dental: American Dental Association (ADA) claim form
- 4. Other services on Labor and Industries forms:
  - a. Statement for Miscellaneous Services
  - b. Statement for Pharmacy Services
  - c. Statement for Compound Prescription

The most common billing error is missing National Provider Identifiers, or NPIs. If multiple providers are involved (e.g., billing and rendering providers and facilities), please supply the NPI of each individual or facility.

To learn more about Medical EDI in Washington State, visit our <u>website</u> or email your questions to <u>WALNIEDI</u>.