Reminder: HIPAA 5010 Effective January 1, 2012

Please remember that effective January 1, 2012, the HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) 5010 mandate becomes effective for all EDI (electronic data interchange) transactions. We understand the importance of provider awareness and readiness and are committed to sharing information about many of these changes.

Following is a list of clearinghouses that submit EDI transactions to BCNEPA and their HIPAA 5010 status:

Emdeon: All transactions converted to 5010.
SSI: FPLIC claims transactions converted to 5010; FPH claims transaction going live on January 3, 2012. Electronic remittance advices converted to 5010.
GHN: Currently remains in 4010 for claims. Scheduled to move to 5010 in late January, 2012.
Relay Health (NDC & McKesson): All transactions converted to 5010.
PNC: Electronic remittance advices converted to 5010.
HDX: Electronic remittance advices converted to 5010.
NaviNet: All transactions converted to 5010.

We also remind you of the following important changes included in the HIPAA 5010 mandate related to the “Billing Provider” and “Service Facility” information:

- **9-digit ZIP codes**—Providers must provide a full 9-digit ZIP code for billing provider and service facility locations on all claim submissions. When the full 9-digit ZIP code is required, spaces or zeroes are not valid in the last four digits of the ZIP code.

- **Billing provider address**—A physical street address must be reported for the billing provider and the service facility location. P.O. boxes or lock boxes will not be accepted. BCNEPA will reject electronic claims containing a PO box or lock box as the billing provider address.

- **Service facility**—The Service Facility Location should be reported when services were rendered in a location other than the location reported for the billing provider.
  
  **Note:** The service facility location is only to be reported when the facility providing the services is not part of your organization. 5010 guidelines prohibit the reporting of organizational sub-parts as the service facility location.

**Important:** You may be reporting a PO Box or lock box address in the billing provider loop to indicate the address we are to send your remittance advice (RA) and payments. Changing the billing provider address on your claims will not impact where your RA and payments will be sent. We do not use the billing provider address submitted on your claim for these purposes. Rather, your RA and/or payments will be sent to the remit/payment address that is on your provider record on our systems. Changes to your provider record are only made upon your request.

Please be aware that once you begin to submit electronically in the 5010 format, the above requirements for billing provider information must be followed.