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State/Territory: ALABAMA

Requirements for Third Party Liability -
Identifying Liable Resources

Automated data exchanges with the Department of Industrial Relations (SWICA and Workmen's Compensation) and the Department of Public Safety (Motor Vehicle) are performed quarterly. Employment data identified thru the SSA Wage and Earnings File and by IV-A is referred to the Third Party Liability (TPL) Section by the certifying agency for Medicaid upon identification of same. Diagnosis and trauma code edits are performed on a monthly basis.

TPL data received as a result of SWICA, SSA and IV-A data exchanges is incorporated into the Eligibility File and TPL data base within thirty days of receipt of verification of coverage. Health insurance information identified by Medicaid certifying agencies during application and redetermination is incorporated into the Eligibility File and TPL data base by the TPL section within sixty days of receipt of verification of coverage.

The data exchange with the Department of Public Safety identifies drivers and pedestrians only if an injury code is listed on the accident report. The data exchange produces a listing of matches which the TPL submits to the Department of Public Safety with a request for copies of each accident report. The accident reports are reviewed by the TPL staff within 30 days of receipt. If potential TPL is identified, a case file is established within 30 days of identification of TPL. Pertinent insurance information is documented in the third party data base if there is a reasonable expectation that the carrier will pay future related medical expenses.

Paid claims identified monthly through trauma and diagnosis code edits result in recipient questionnaires which are computer generated and mailed to the recipients within sixty days of the end of the month in which the claim is paid.' A follow-up letter is computer generated to the recipient sixty days after the initial letter if no reply is received. Recipient responses are reviewed upon receipt for probable third party liability and case files are established within sixty days of receipt of the recipient questionnaire if a determination of probable third party liability is made. Insurance information is added to the third party data base when there is a reasonable expectation that the carrier will pay future related medicals.

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STATE LAWS REQUIRING THIRD PARTIES TO PROVIDE
COVERAGE ELIGIBILITY AND CLAIMS DATA

1902(a)(25)   The Medicaid agency assures that the State has in effect laws requiring
               third parties to provide the State with coverage eligibility and claims data
               under 1902(a)(25)(I) of the Act.