

# State Agency – Project Status Report



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# Projects Status

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The projects depicted below represent changes that potentially impact State Agencies:

## 1. Project/Change Order: Affordable Care Act (ACA) Operating Rules – Phase III

**2.1 Overview:** Phase III Operating Rules apply to Claim Payment/Advice (835) transactions, Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), and Electronic Remittance Advice (ERA) data. Phase III continues to build on the Phase I and II rules. Phase III is made up of the following rules:

### Rule 350 – 835 Retrieval

Enhances Phase II by adding an additional transaction for 835 data file retrieval and addresses dual delivery of 835 and Proprietary Paper Claim Remittance Advices.

An additional requirement added by the Agency will require 835s (Electronic Remittance Advice – ERA) to be generated for every provider. Therefore, every provider, or their designated representative, will need to register for a trading partner ID so that ERAs can be produced and distributed appropriately.

### Rule 360 - Uniform Use of Claim Adjustment Reason Codes (CARC) and Remittance Advice Remark Codes (RARC)

Dictates the combination of codes that can be used for certain business scenarios. Working with their members and other large healthcare systems, CAQH CORE defined four common business scenarios that impact claim payment and processing. For each of these scenarios, CAQH CORE defined specific code combinations that **MUST** be used by Healthcare Systems on the v5010 X12 835 electronic RA. Business scenarios that are encountered beyond these four are left to the discretion of the Healthcare System to determine the code combination to use.

### Rule 370 – EFT and ERA Re-association Rule (CCD+/835)

Standardizes the Re-association Data by specifying the location where the data should be stored in both the CCD+ EFT transaction and the 835 ERA transaction. Specifically, Re-association Data is to be placed in the:

- Addenda Record for the CCD+ transaction
- BPR and TRN Segments of the 835 Transaction

Rule 370 additionally specifies:

- The maximum allowed lag time between receipt of an ERA and its corresponding EFT
- Requirements for elapsed time auditing
- Requirements for resolving late or missing EFTs and/or ERAs

### Rule 380-382 - ERA/EFT Enrollment

- Rule specifies the maximum data that may be collected to enroll a provider or trading partner for receiving an Electronic RA (ERA/835) or payments via EFT
- Only data elements specified by the rule may be collected.
- The rule specifies the names of the all data elements. These names must be used exactly on paper or electronic enrollment forms.
- The data elements must be presented in a specific order on paper or electronic forms.
- The rules specify which data elements are mandatory and which are optional.
- Related data elements are put into Data Element Groups. The groups must also be presented in a specific order and may be either mandatory or optional.
- The data elements and data element groups are similar, but not identical, for the two rules.

**2.2 Current Status:** CMS funding approval was received May 22, 2014 and Agency signatures were completed June 13, 2014. System designs and system test case creation are in progress. A project schedule and project-level communication plan have been created and are being worked.

**2.3 Potential Impact:** An Agency kickoff meeting is being scheduled where HP will review the requirements and solutions for all Rules with the Agency PMO and FPOs. Initial external entity and operational impacts have been assessed and are documented in the proposal and designs. Additional impacts may come to light throughout the design, construction and testing process. These impacts will be documented, communicated, and included in the project implementation plans. Project risks are being identified, assessed, and documented. HP will work closely with impacted areas to mitigate the project risks.

**2.4 Anticipated Implementation Date:** The initial project schedule, which is currently in Agency review, has not yet been approved and baselined. According to the pre-baselined project schedule, UAT and Vendor testing will occur April – May 2015, with final implementation occurring mid-June 2015. Two months of post-implementation support will follow – to be concluded mid-August 2015. Optional CAQH CORE system certification, for ACA Phase I, II, and III will also be completed by mid-August 2015.



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