

MIDLANDS CHOICE OUTBOUND TRADING PARTNER IMPLEMENTATION GUIDE: DIRECT

Payer Name:		
Document Date:		
Payer Business Contact / Phone#:		E-mail:
Payer Technical Contact / Phone#:		E-mail:
Midlands Payer Rep. / Phone#:		E-mail:
Midlands IT Representative / Phone:		E-mail:
If applicable, Payer Clearinghouse Contact / Phone#:		E-mail:
Covered Lives Count:		
Annual Claims Volume to Midlands Choice:		

(FOR MC USE ONLY)	Midlands Choice Payer Summary		
Payer Name:	MCE#:	EDI Dest#:	Connection Direction
			Direct
			Update Group/Payer File? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Transaction: 837 Professional & 837 Institutional from Midlands Choice to Payer

Question	Midlands Choice Requirement	Payer Requirement (if none specified, will default to MC Requirement)
Connection Type	Clearinghouse: Claimshop	DIRECT
Format and Version	837P/837I: 4010A1	
Does Payer use a Validator to validate the claims files? If 'yes', what is the validator name?	Not a current requirement.	<u>Common Validators:</u> Edifecs Foresight Claredi
What SNIP levels of edits does payer intend to trade?	SNIP level 1 & 2	<u>WEDI-SNIP Definition</u> Level 1: EDI Syntax integrity testing Level 2: HIPPA Syntactical requirement testing Level 3: Balancing Type 4: Situational Testing Level 5: External code testing Level 6: Product Types of Lines of Service Level 7: Implementation Guide – Specific Trading Partners
Will Payer use the standard National Electronic Data Interchange Transaction Set Implementation Guide: Professional? *****	Yes	
Does Payer maintain a Companion document?	Yes	

Interchange & Group Sender ID (ISA05:ISA06) (GS02)	30 or 'ZZ':752838447 Use 'CLAIMSHOP' or above tax id.	Interchange & Group Receiver ID (ISA07:ISA08) (GS08)						
What delimiters will Payer be using for: 1) Component? 2) Element? 3) Segment?	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;"></td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">:</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">*</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">~</td> </tr> </table>		:		*		~	
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File name conventions used	<p>{H U}mmddnnn.X12.{pgg pgp}</p> <p><i>Example: U0813003.X12.gpg</i></p> <p>a file containing UBs, created on August 13th, the fourth UB file created that day.</p> <p>Where: H means HCFAs (Professional Claims) U means UBs (Institutional Claims) mm is the month dd is the day nnn is an incremental number, starting at 000. Each subsequent file of the same type, day and month will increase this number by 1. The .X12 extension indicates this is an X12 4010 file. We usually use the .pgg encryption extension, but you may see .pgp on occasion.</p>							
What are the differences in this transaction in TEST mode vs. PRODUCTION mode?	Set the ISA15 to a 'T' or 'P'							
DCN Format and Notes	Midlands receives REF*D9 values from various different sources; so there is not a set standard. Midlands Choice will send differently formatted trace numbers back in the 2300 REF D9. Please confirm that when your entity returns the Acknowledgement reports and/or 997/277U, that number will be referenced, in it's entirety, to Midlands Choice and it's vendor, Claimshop.							

Nonre-priced claims	<p>Midlands will send non-re-priced claims in an 837 format: 837: Segment: HCP Element: 13 = T1 (MC cannot identify Provider as a PPO participant) Example: HCP*00*0**752838447*****T1</p> <p>Midlands requires all EDI partners to receive, accept and properly adjudicate Non-re-priced (Nonpar) claims with the HCP13 = 'T1'.</p> <p>NOTE: For every Re-priced claim file, a Non-re-priced claim file will be sent.</p>	
Testing Process	<p>Phase 1: Midlands sends Payer 4 files to test format (1 batch): File 1 = 5-25 re-priced HCFA's File 2 = 5-25 re-priced UB's File 3 = 5-25 non-re-priced HCFA's File 4 = 5-25 non-re-priced UB's</p> <p>Phase 2: Midlands sends Payer 4 files to test volume (1 batch): File 1 = Production day volume of HCFA's File 2 = Production day volume of UB's File 3 = Production day volume of non-re-priced HCFA's File 4 = Production day volume of non-re-priced UB's</p> <p>Midlands requires all EDI partners to receive all claims sent. If the payer chooses to reject claims based on Eligibility reasons, the payer <u>MUST</u> communicate those types of errors via the electronic acknowledgement (i.e. 997, 277U)</p>	
Acknowledgement Process	<p>e-mail addresses provided by the EDI partner.</p> <p>These automated emails will specify the filenames that were sent, the number of claims in the files, the transmission date and time, the destination directory and the FTP site name. If payer is using a clearinghouse, please specify where the ACK is coming from (i.e. CH,Payer)</p> <p>Please specify the timing of the acknowledgement. (i.e. when will payer send the acknowledgement after receipt of 837 claim files)</p> <p>**Midlands Choice Requires all Trading partners to send a ANSI standard Acknowledgement (i.e. 997, 277U)</p> <p>**Midlands also requires that a return ANSI Acknowledgement (997, 277U) maintain the integrity of the ST/SE formatted segment numbers sent in the original 837 file(s) sent to the payer or clearinghouse trading partner. (ST/SE numbers may not be changed)</p> <p>SUMMARY: Midlands requires 100% Claim-level Acknowledgements</p>	
Rejection Process	<p>**Midlands will not accept a payer rejecting claims at the batch level.</p> <p>(i.e. Rejected = Member is not an active participant with payer.</p> <p>Payer's Definition of Rejected Claims: Rejected = EDI syntax errors</p> <p>Current Payer's Process for EDI-rejected Claims: (i.e. 997, 277U)</p>	Who, When, How (format)

Technical Communication Protocol Information

Current file transfer method	FTP with PGP encryption	
FTP Site Hosted by Payer:	<p>****PAYER MUST ELECT TO HOST THE FTP SITE OR ADHERE MIDLANDS FTP SITE SPECIFICATIONS****</p> <p>**The site must be a truly compatible FTP site, as defined by standard Internet protocol suites.</p> <p>**The site must be accessible 24 hours a day</p> <p>**The site must be password protected (password at least 8 characters long).</p> <p>**If the FTP site is unavailable when we attempt to upload daily files, files will be uploaded the next business day.</p> <p>**The site must be able to accept a data upload throughput of at least 100 KB/second.</p> <p>**The FTP site should be set up with 3 directories: (XXX to be replaced by the EDI partner's name or abbreviation)</p> <p>1) \intoXXX for files sent from Claimshop to the Edi partner. 2) \outfromXXX for files sent from the Edi partner to Claimshop. 3) \test for testing</p>	
FTP Site Hosted by Midlands:	<p>INSTRUCTION:</p> <p>E-mail edisupport@midlandschoice.com to receive FTP account.</p>	<p>**Midlands will provide up to 50 MB storage for EDI files. If storage requirements routinely exceed this capacity, storage fees may be exacted.</p> <p>**It is the responsibility of the EDI partner to remove files from the FTP site when they have been retrieved or are no longer needed.</p> <p>**Midlands will maintain a continuous data transmission rate of at least 100 KB/second for its FTP servers</p> <p>**Claimshop's FTP server(s) will be accessible 24 hours a day, except when we need to perform routine maintenance. Except for emergencies, we will alert EDI partners about routine maintenance at least 24 hours in advance.</p> <p>**The FTP site will be set up with three directories:</p> <p>1) \intocs for files sent from the Edi partner to Claimshop. 2) \outfromcs for files sent from Claimshop to the Edi partner. 3) \test for testing</p>
		<p>Note: In production, files will be available for pick-up every day by 6:30pm CST.</p>

Encryption PGP,	GPG	<p>**Midlands requires a valid and useable 'public key' from the EDI partner.</p> <p>**We will never put unencrypted medical claim data (PHI) on an FTP site; it follows that we will be unable to begin uploading EDI files until we are in receipt of the EDI partner's public key.</p>	
		<p>**The EDI partner shall never place unencrypted medical data on Claimshop's FTP site(s).</p>	