



Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) and Home Health (HH) Encounter Data Submission

CMS has released the schedule for submission of SNF and HH encounters:

Submission Dates	Submission Types	Submission Data
November 9 - 23, 2012	Pilot Testing	– CMS has identified a panel of MAOs and other entities for participation in SNF/HH Encounter Data Pilot Testing in order to validate system programming and submission for requirements specific to SNF/HH encounter submission.
December 7, 2012	Production Data	– Critical Access Hospital (CAH) and Swing Bed encounters may be submitted.



EDFES Acknowledgement Reports

The EDFES performs format and integrity checks on files submitted to the EDS and returns TA1 and 999 Acknowledgement Reports to submitters.

- **TA1 Acknowledgement Report** – returned to the submitter if errors occur within the Interchange control structure, indicating programming issues within the submitter's processing system
 - TA1 errors will cause the entire ISA/IEA Interchange to reject
 - The entire ISA/IEA Interchange must be corrected and resubmitted
- **999R Acknowledgement Report** – returned to the submitter if errors occur within the transactional set (ST/SE), indicating compliance errors or software issues within the submitter's processing system
 - 999R errors in a file with a single ST/SE will cause the file to reject
 - The transactional set (ST/SE) errors must be corrected and the entire transaction resubmitted

For additional information regarding EDFES Acknowledgement Reports, MAOs and other entities may reference the [2012 EDS Participant Guide](#) on the CSSC Operations website.



Publication Updates

The October release of the EDS Companion Guides (Professional, Institutional, and DME) identifies the following enhancements to the EDPS Edits information:

- Effective dates for any revisions, improvements, or edit disposition changes, to include:
 - Error code disposition changed from "reject" to "informational" or vice versa
 - Error code activated or deactivated
- Prevention and/or resolution strategies
- EDS Acronyms List



Reminders:

- Registration is open for User Group participation! Please register at www.tarsc.info
- November 14, 2012 – MAOs and other entities should have submitted all encounter data for March 2012 DOS
- November 26, 2012 – MAOs and other entities may submit 2011 DOS
- Please continue to submit your EDS questions to the Encounter Data Team at eds@ardx.net.