

# **Companion Guide**

ASC X12N 835 (005010X221A1)
Health Care Claim Payment/Advice: 835

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#### **Preface**

The Cigna Companion Guide supplements the HIPAA ASC X12N 835 (005010X221A1) Implementation Guide for Health Care Claim Payment/Advice.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1. SCOPE

This Companion Guide has been designed to describe to Cigna's trading partners the format and data content of the 835 Health Care Claim Payment/Advice transaction in the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) environment.

#### 1.2. OVERVIEW

This Companion Guide will replace, in total, the previous Cigna Companion Guide for the 835 Health Care Claim Payment/Advice transaction. This Companion Guide has been written to assist you in designing and implementing Health Care Claim Payment/Advice transactions with Cigna. The Cigna Companion Guide identifies key data elements from the transaction set that Cigna will provide to you. This information is to enable you to more effectively receive Health Care Claim Payment/Advice transactions from Cigna.

#### 1.3. REFERENCES

This document is a companion to the ASC X12N Implementation Guide (005010X221A1) Health Care Claim Payment/Advice.

### 2. GETTING STARTED

#### 2.1. WORKING WITH CIGNA

Cigna trading partners must have an active trading partner agreement. If a third-party has been elected to perform electronic transactions, additional Trading Partner information may be required for setup.

Cigna offers multiple connectivity options, as noted in Section 4 below for exchanging EDI transactions through a consolidated Gateway managed by Cigna.

Trading partners who have an active trading partner agreement are given IDs and a URL to access the Cigna Technical Assessment Tool.

If you have additional questions please contact Cigna at this email address:

EDIEscalatedRequests@Cigna.com

#### 2.2. TRADING PARTNER REGISTRATION

All trading partners who wish to receive Health Care Claims Payment/Advice from Cigna via the ASC X12 835 (Version 005010X221A1) must complete three technical assessments to provide Cigna with their contact information, desired connectivity method, and transaction-specific information. After completing the assessments Cigna will work with each Trading Partner to establish connectivity. Upon successful connectivity testing each Trading Partner can then begin system testing.

#### 2.3. SYSTEM AVAILABILITY AND DOWNTIME

The 835 transaction is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. To allow for maintenance, the 835 transactions may be unavailable on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. ET. Batch files are queued for processing after the release window completes.

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### 3. TESTING WITH THE PAYER

#### **EDI Controls**

Cigna will utilize, when necessary and appropriate, both the TA1 – Interchange Acknowledgement and 999 – Functional Acknowledgement responses.

#### X12 Transaction Processing

- X12 transactions will be verified as originating from a Cigna recognized trading partner (authenticated) and checked for access to submit the specific X12 transaction (authorization). Cigna requests that the Trading Partner generate appropriate TA1 and/or 999 response back to Cigna.
- X12 transactions will be checked for proper X12 structure via "envelope test validation". This insures the transaction request is complete and formatted properly.
- X12 data elements that are mapped to Cigna's copybook will be checked for validity through a defined set of "exception processing tests".
- Special Test Processing: If the ISA15 (Usage Indicator) is set to T (Test Data), then the X12 request ISA10, GS04 and GS05 date and time elements are returned in the X12 response. This allows for regression test tools to validate expected data/time responses in those fields. If the ISA15 (Usage Indicator) is set to P (Production Data), then the data and time fields are populated with the current date and time.

#### 3.1. X12 TRANSACTION AUTHORIZATION TESTS

The following table defines the "authorization tests" to be processed on generation of each X12 Health Care Claim Payment/Advice: 835

The authorization tests run in the order shown. Multiple errors are not processed in the TA1 response since this can lead to faulty error reporting. In the 999 error response multiple errors may be sent with the exception of GS01 and GS08 errors. If both GS01 and GS08 errors are present, only the GS01 error will be sent since only 1 AK905 segment is allowed.

HIPAA Element	Authorization Tests	TA1 Response	999 Response
		TA105	AK905
N/A	Clearing House source can not be identified	013	N/A
ISA05/ISA06	Unknown clearing house (unknown ISA05/ISA06 combination)	006	N/A
ISA07/ISA08 Unknown Payor (unknown ISA07/ISA08 combination)		008	N/A
ISA14	Acknowledgment Requested	019	N/A
GS01 Unsupported Transaction Set in Group		N/A	1
GS02	Unknown Originator ID value	N/A	1
	Missing Originator ID value	N/A	1
GS03	Unknown Recipient LOB value	N/A	1
	Missing Recipient LOB value	N/A	1
GS08 Unsupported Version of Implementation Guide		N/A	2

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#### 3.2. X12 TRANSACTION ENVELOPE TEST VALIDATION

- The following table defines the "envelope tests" to be processed on generation of each X12 835 request.
- The envelope tests run in the order shown. Multiple errors are not processed since this can lead to faulty error reporting.

HIPAA Element	Envelope Tests	TA1 Response	999 Response	
		TA105	IK502	AK905
IEA Segment	IEA Segment Control Number in IEA02 does not match Control Number in ISA13			N/A
IEA Segment	Functional Group Count in IEA01 does not match actual Functional Groups counted	021	N/A	N/A
GE Segment	Group Control Number in GE02 does not match Group Control Number in GS06	N/A	N/A	4
ST Segments Transaction Sets Included count in GE01does not match actual Transaction Sets counted		N/A	N/A	5
ST Segments  Transaction Set Control Number in ST02 does not match Transaction Set Control Number in SE02.		N/A	3	NA
SE Segment	Number of Included Segments Count in SE01 does not match actual segment count	N/A	4	N/A

#### 3.3. X12 TRANSACTION EXCEPTION PROCESSING

This section will be completed in coordination with Cigna System Testing.

### 4. CONNECTIVITY WITH THE PAYER / COMMUNICATIONS

#### 4.1. SYSTEM AVAILABILITY

The 835 transaction is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. However, to allow for maintenance, the 835 transactions may be unavailable on the first and third Sundays of the month from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. EST. Batch files are gueued for processing after the release window completes.

#### 4.2. PROCESS FLOWS

Cigna trading partners must have an active trading partner agreement. If a third-party has been elected to perform electronic transactions, additional Trading Partner information may be required for setup.

Trading partners who have an active trading partner agreement are given IDs, passwords, and a URL to access the Cigna Technical Assessment Tool. Trading Partners will complete a minimum of three technical assessments to provide Cigna with their contact information, desired connectivity method, and transaction-specific information.

Trading partners should submit transactions according to current guidelines. Any questions regarding transmission must be submitted to Cigna EDI Customer Service.

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Cigna offers the following transmission methods for securely exchanging batch transactions using the Cigna Gateway:

- HTTPS {PGP Optional}
- Applicability Statement 2 AS2 EDIINT Automated HTTP(s)
- Applicability Statement 3 AS3 EDIINT FTP(s)
- FTP {PGP Mandatory}/FTP-SSL
- SSH/SFTP {PGP Optional}
- IBM Connect:Direct w/Secure+

In conformance with CORE III 835 Infrastructure Rule, Cigna now supports HTTP + MIME and SOAP + WSDL connections. Trading partners planning on using these new connectivity options must obtain a username and password from Cigna. Detailed specifications for these connections are published by CAQH. Click here to see detailed specifications: CAQH CORE 835 Rule

Protocol	Specifications
Protocol Family:	TCP/IP
Application Protocol:	http (secure)
HTTP Language:	HTML
HTTP Method:	POST
HTML element for "X12 transaction data":	MIME
MIME Input Element Name:	Payload
Form Encoding Type:	"multipart/form data"

Protocol	Specifications
Protocol Family:	TCP/IP
Application Protocol:	http (secure)
HTTP Language:	SOAP
HTTP Method:	POST
HTTP element for "X12 transaction data"	XML
SOAP XML Input Element Name:	Payload
Form Encoding Type:	"application/soap+xml"

Please Note: These are Cigna Standard offerings. If these methods cannot be applied, contact the Cigna Trading Partner help desk at <a href="mailto:CHCTradingPartnerManagement@Cigna.com">CHCTradingPartnerManagement@Cigna.com</a> to schedule a meeting with a Cigna TPG representative.

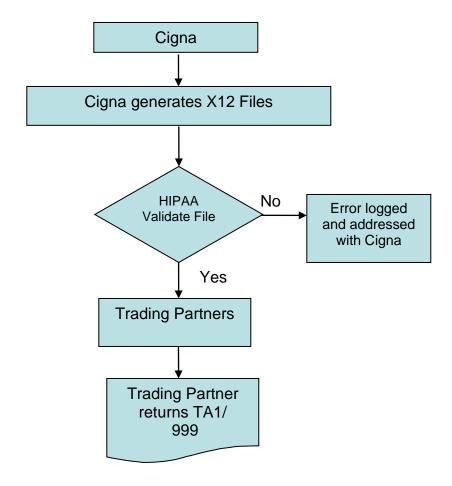
After establishing a transmission method, each trading partner must successfully complete testing. Information on this phase is provided in the next section of this companion guide.

#### 4.2.1. TRADING PARTNER TESTING

Before receiving outbound production files, each trading partner should test to ensure they can successfully process a Cigna HIPAA compliant X12 file. First, trading partners will download outbound X12 files from the self-service Cigna Validation Tool. Next, trading partners will run the test files in their system to ensure that the file processes as expected.

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## **Batch Submission Flow**



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#### 4.3. TRANSMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Cigna expects 835 Trading Partners to respond with a 999 within 4 hours of receiving the Cigna 835, unless Trading Partner agreement specifies another timeframe.

The 835 file naming convention will follow this guideline:

Node 1: Environment ('TST' for Test or 'PROD' for Production)

Node 2: Receiver ID of the transaction

Node 3: Addenda version and transaction type

Node 4: Date and time 835 was generated (format ccyymmdd-hhmmss)

Node 5: Internal File extension

Node 6: Sequence Number

Node 7: File extension

#### Examples:

- TST.TPAABC.005010X221A1.20110609-110525.dat.0000000001.ext
- PROD.PROVIDER456.005010X221A1.20110609-110525.dat.1234567890.pgp

#### 4.3.1. RE-TRANSMISSION PROCEDURE

Cigna will notify the Trading Partner when retransmitting 835 files previously generated and not received by Trading Partner. Notification will include a list of the impacted providers. Cigna will have the ability to retransmit either a single remit or an entire 835 file.

Retransmit an entire 835 file with single or multiple remits:

- Trading partner must either call or send an e-mail to the Customer Support Center and request the re-transmission. At this time a ticket will be opened and assigned to request the re-transmission.
- For a single 835 the following information will need to be provided, Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), NPI, check or electronic funds transfer (EFT) trace number, payment date, and the payment amount
- For an 835 file the batch file date will be needed.

Retransmit/Replay a single remit in a 835 file containing multiple remits:

- Trading partner must either call or send an e-mail to Customer Support Center and request the re-transmission. At this time a ticket will be opened and assigned to request the re-transmission.
- For a single 835 the following information will need to be provided, Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), NPI, check or electronic funds transfer (EFT) trace number, payment date, and the payment amount
- If the Customer Support cannot locate the remit, they will contact the Trading Partner to obtain additional information.

Note: Any remit for payments made beyond 90 days has been archived. Cigna requires remit receipt date information and five business days as turnaround time to replay an archived remit.

## 4.4. COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL SPECIFICATIONS

Communication Protocol Specifications are not required for Batch Processing.

#### 4.5. SECURITY AND AUTHENTICATION REQUIREMENTS

For security and authentication information refer to section 11 below.

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## 5. CONTACT INFORMATION

#### 5.1. EDI CUSTOMER SERVICE

Most questions can be answered by referencing this Companion Guide. If you have additional questions related to Cigna's 835 transaction, contact the Claim Intake Team for reporting of 5010 status/issues: **EDIEscalatedRequests@Cigna.com** 

### 5.2. EDI TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

For technical questions related to Cigna's 835 transaction, contact the Customer Support Center at 1-800-810-3388.

#### 5.3. PROVIDER SERVICE NUMBER

Contracting, Provider Service and Credentialing questions, contact 1.800.88Cigna (882.4462).

#### 5.4. APPLICABLE WEBSITES / E-MAIL

For information about Cigna policies, coverage positions and claim edits access the secure provider website at **www.cignaforhcp.com**. Registration is required.

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## 6. CONTROL SEGMENTS / ENVELOPES

## 6.1. ISA – IEA (835)

This section describes the use of the Interchange Control segments, ISA and IEA. These segments mark the beginning and ending of an interchange. The ISA segment has a fixed length and all the elements within this segment must be populated. This segment includes a description of the expected sender and receiver codes and delimiters. The first element delimiter in the ISA segment is an Asterisk (\*) which will be used as the delimiter throughout the transaction. The final character in the ISA segment is a Tilde (~) will be used as the delimiter for each segment in the transaction.

The ">" (greater than) or "<" (less than) characters should not be used as the Segment, Element, Repetition Separator (ISA11), or component Element Separator (ISA16) delimiters as this will cause an application failure and cause a delay in the processing of the file.

Segment Element ID ID		Name	Code	Definition of Code / Notes
ISA	Header Segment			
	ISA01	Authorization Information Qualifier	,00,	No Authorization Information Present
	ISA02	Authorization Information	10 'spaces'	Authorization Information
	ISA03	Security Information Qualifier	,00,	No Security Information Present
	ISA04	Security Information	10 'spaces'	No Security Information Note: Value should always be 'spaces'
	ISA05	Interchange ID Qualifier of Sender	'01' '20' '27' '28' '30' 'ZZ'	Interchange Sender ID Qualifier
	ISA06	Interchange Sender ID	'029053964' '555550000' '623080000' '623080001' '029053964P' '029053964T' '043138814-11248' '807050000000000' '807050210'	Interchange Sender ID
	ISA07	Interchange ID Qualifier of Receiver	<pre><interchange id="" of="" qualifier="" receiver=""></interchange></pre>	U.S. Federal Tax Identification Number
	ISA08	Interchange Receiver ID	<pre><interchange id="" receiver=""></interchange></pre>	Interchange Receiver ID
	ISA09	Interchange Date	Format: YYMMDD	Date of the interchange See note for ISA15
	ISA10	Interchange Time	Format: HHMM	Time of the interchange See note for ISA15
	ISA11	Repetition Separator	4Λ1	Repetition Separator is a delimiter used to separate repeated occurrences of simple data element or composite data structure
	ISA12	Interchange Control Version Number	'00501'	Standards Approved for Publication by ASC X12 Procedures Review Board through October 2003
	ISA13	Interchange Control Number	<interchange control<br="">Number&gt;</interchange>	Control Number used by the interchange sender; must be identical to the associated Interchange Trailer IEA02
	ISA14	Acknowledgment Requested	'1'	1: Acknowledgement Requested

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	Usage Indicator; Code indicate whether data enclosed by this interchange envelope test or production information		'T' 'P'	'T': Test data Note: Date and Time fields in ISA09, ISA10, GS04 and GS05 are returned in the X12 response. 'P': Production Data Note: Date and time fields are populated with current date and time.	
	ISA16	Component Element Separator	:	Component element separator is a delimiter and not a data element	
IEA		Interchange Control Trailer Segment			
	IEA01	Number of Included Functional Groups	<number included<br="" of="">Functional Groups&gt;</number>	Cigna Functional Group count	
	IEA02	Interchange Control Number	<interchange control<br="">Number&gt;</interchange>	Cigna Interchange Control Number	

## 6.2. **GS – GE (835)**

This section describes the Functional Group Control segments, GS and GE. These segments identify the application sender and receiver codes. The GS Control Segment indicates the beginning of a Functional Group and the GE Control Segment indicates the ending of a Functional Group. These control segments describe how Cigna expects a Trading Partner to send functional groups and how Cigna will send functional groups back to the Clearinghouse.

Segment ID	- Name		Code	Definition of Code / Notes
GS	GS Functional Group Header			
	GS01	Functional Identifier Code	'HP'	Health Care Claim Payment/Advice (835).
	GS02	Application Sender's Code	'029053964' '623080000' '623080001' '029053964P' '029053964T' 'CBH' '807050000000000' '80705' '807050210' Medicaid Reclamation '8070500000000MR' '6230800000000MR'	Code identifying party sending transmission.
GS03 Application Receive		Application Receiver's Code	<application Receiver's Code&gt;</application 	Code identifying party receiving transmission.
	GS04	Date	Format: CCYYMMDD	Date of functional group creation
	GS05	Time	Format: HHMM	Creation time
	GS06	Group Control Number	<group control<br="">Number&gt;</group>	Start with '000000001' and increment by 1 for each GS segment; Control Number will equal same data element in Group Trailer, GE02.
	GS07	Responsible Agency Code	'X'	Accredited Standards Committee X12. Value should always be 'X'.
	GS08	Version / Release / Industry Identifier Code	'005010X221A1'	Health Care Claim: 835 Implementation Guide originally published in April 2006 as "005010X221", and now includes the addenda published in June 2010 as "005010X221A1".
GE		Functional Group Trailer		
	GE01	Number of Transaction Sets Included	<number of<br="">Transaction Sets</number>	Number of transactions included

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		Included>	
GE02	Group Control Number	<group control<br="">Number&gt;</group>	Group Control Number will be identical to same data element in functional group header, GS06.

## 6.3. ST – SE (835)

This section indicates the beginning and the ending of a transaction set and provides the count of the transmitted segments including the beginning (ST) and ending (SE) segments. These segments also provide a Transaction Set Control Number which must be identical in each segment.

Segment ID	Element ID	Name	Code	Definition of Code / Notes
ST		Transaction Set Header		
	ST01	Transaction Set Identifier Code	'835'	Health Care Claim Payment/Advice 835
	ST02	Transaction Set Control Number	<transaction control="" number="" set=""></transaction>	Cigna generates a 9-digit ID, which increments by 1 for each ST segment created. The 1st ID generated would be '000000001'. The transaction set control numbers in ST02 and SE02 will be identical.
SE		Transaction Set Trailer		
	SE01	Transaction Segment Count	<total Segments&gt;</total 	Total number of segments included in a transaction set including ST and SE segments
	SE02	Transaction Set Control Number	<transaction Set Control Number&gt;</transaction 	Transaction Set Control Number assigned by sending party

## 7. PAYER SPECIFIC BUSINESS RULES AND LIMITATIONS

When a Trading Partner is enrolling for NPI bulking, NPI Bulking will apply for all NPIs within that Tax Identification Number or else it will be automatically aligned to a default bank account. The EFT and ERA preference will match.

### **Relaxation of HIPAA Compliance Guidelines**

Cigna currently allows the following exceptions to the guidelines for submitted data as defined in the HIPAA ASC X12N 835 (005010X221A1) Implementation Guide for Health Care Claim Payment/Advice.

- The transaction will not be rejected if:
  - o It does not meet requirements for SNIP Type 7 Partner Specific edits.
  - REF02 (Provider Secondary ID) is not in standard Social Security Number format when REF01 = 'SY'.
  - o REF02 (Provider Secondary ID) is not UPIN when REF01='1G'.
- NM1 (Insured Name) will reject for Medicaid (CLP06 is 'MC').
- NM1 (Insured Name) will reject for Medicare (CLP06 is 'MA' or 'MB').
- NM108 (Provider Receiver ID Code Qualifier) is not required to be 'XX' (denoting NM109 as NPI).

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- N104 can be used even if National PlanID is unavailable.
- HI HIN number syntax does not require verification.
- SSN is valid for Patient ID, Other Claim Related ID, and Rendering Provider ID.
- Remark codes in MIA or MOA segments are required when Claim Adjustment Reason Code 16, 17, 96, 125, 148, 226, 227 or A1 is used in 2100 CAS segment.
- Remark codes in LQ segment are required when Claim Adjustment Reason Code 16, 17, 96, 125, 148, 226, 227 or A1 is used in 2110 CAS segment.
- If 2100 NM108 = 34 (where NM101 = QC) is indicated as a Primary ID, then Secondary ID where 2100 REF01 = SY should not be used.
- The Trading Partner Gateway Edit Engine will be used in place of Edifecs editing to validate zip codes and provider NPI.
- Zip code information must be present in loops and segments where the zip code is designated as a required field and match the required TR3 format guidelines for five and nine digit codes.

### 8. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND OR REPORTS

Cigna will request the 999 acknowledgement for all outbound X12 transactions.

### 9. TRADING PARTNER AGREEMENTS

Trading Partner Agreements for existing Partners are currently on file with Cigna. For new Trading Partners please contact: **EDIEscalatedRequests@Cigna.com** 

## 10. TRANSACTION SPECIFIC INFORMATION (LOOPS)

A Transaction Loop is a group of related segments. Cigna specific values are required for the elements which comprise the segments for the 835 Transaction Loops. The following section identifies these loops, their segments and their required element values:

- Loop N/A
- Loop 1000B Payee Identification
- Loop 2100 Claim Payment Information
- Loop 2110 Service Payment Information

### 10.1. LOOP N/A (835)

Loop	Segment	Element	Name	Code	Definition of Code
N/A	REF		Receiver Identification		Cigna will always provide this segment.
N/A	DTM		Production Date		Cigna will always provide this segment.
N/A	PLB		Provider Adjustment		Cigna does not have a maximum limit of PLB segments in a remittance.

#### 10.2. LOOP 1000B (835) – PAYEE IDENTIFICATION

Loop	Segment	Element	Name	Code(s)	Definition of Code
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1000B	N3	Payee Address	Cigna will always provide this segment.
1000B	REF	Payee Additional Information	Cigna utilizes up to 4 occurrences in this segment.

## 10.3 LOOP 2000 (835) - PROVIDER SUMMARY INFORMATION

Loop	Segment	Element	Name	Code(s)	Definition of Code
2000	LX	01	Assigned Number		Number assigned for differentiation within a transaction set
2000	TS3	301	Reference Identification		Cigna sends the billing provider NPI if found, if not the Tax ID will be sent
2000	TS3	302	Facility Code Value		When all claims are not for the same place of service, the facility type code value will be 11 for professional or dental claims, and 22 for institutional claims. 99 will be used as place of service for all other claims
2000	TS3	303	Date		Cigna will default using the date of 12/31 and the year the remit is sent.
2000	TS3	304	Quantity		Cigna sends the claim count of each 2000 loop
2000	TS3	305	Monetary Amount		Cigna sends the total charges amount under each 2000 loop

## 10.4 LOOP 2100 (835) - CLAIM PAYMENT INFORMATION

Loop	Segment	Element	Name	Code(s)	Definition of Code/Notes
2100	CLP		Claim Payment Information		Cigna sends the Claim filing indicator code "13" for OAP claims using this segment. CLP06 is being used to report this information. (For HMO Claim ONLY)     Cigna will not send more than 5,000 CLP segments per ST/SE envelope
2100	CLP	CLP02	Claim Status Code	'19' '20' '21'	Cigna supports the following claim status codes (CLP02) if a member is enrolled in a Cigna Choice fund product and/or Healthcare FSA with "automatic claim rollover". These claim status codes are being used on the 835 generated for the underlying plan payment and/or on the 835 generated for the HRA or FSA or HSA payment. Status Code Status Code Description 19 Processed as Primary for the underlying plan payment, but with associated HSA or HRA or FS payments 20 Processed as Secondary for the underlying plan payment, but with associated HSA or HRA or FSA payments  OR  Processed as Secondary for HAS or HRA or FSA payment, but with associated additional HAS or HRA or FSA payment, but with associated additional HAS or HRA or FSA payment but with associated additional HSA or HRA or FSA pa

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					that the claim was processed as primary for the underlying plan but with associated HRA or FSA or HSA payments. Since the claim status code is 19, the provider should be expecting to receive another payment/835 associated with this claim for HSA or HRA or FSA payment from Cigna. Hence the provider should not balance bill the member for any member liability reported on this claim until the provider receives the HRA or FSA or HSA payment/835.
2100	CLP	CLP02	Claim Status Code	'20' '21' '2' '3'	Cigna generates 835s for reporting member liability reimbursement payments (HRA/FSA/HSA) if a member is enrolled in one of our Choice Fund products and/or Healthcare FSA with "automatic claim rollover". The 835s generated for member liability reimbursement payments (HRA/FSA/HSA) are being reported as if they are a secondary COB type plan payment since this would be a secondary payment issued by Cigna on behalf of the member in addition to the underlying plan payment. 835's generated for member liability reimbursement payments (HRA/FSA/HSA) are ideally sent out on the same EDI file transmission along with the corresponding 835 associated with the underlying plan payment but on different ISA/IEA segments to the clearinghouse.  The 835s generated for member liability reimbursement payments (HRA/FSA/HSA) are being reported as if they are a secondary COB type plan payment where the claim status code would be either 20, 21, 2, or 3.
2100	NM1	NM109	Patient Name  – Identification  Code		Identifies a Cigna specific unique member identifier rather than the Social Security Number (SSN). If a unique member identifier exists, it will be used as the primary identification code on all ERA's, in place of the member's SSN. Once this unique member identifier is provided to the information receiver, this identifier should be used for all future inquiries, communications and claim submissions.
2100	NM1	NM109	Insured Name  – Identification  Code		Identifies a Cigna specific unique member identifier rather than the Social Security Number (SSN). If a unique member identifier exists, it will be used as the primary identification code on all ERA's, in place of the member's SSN. Once this unique member identifier is provided to the information receiver, this identifier should be used for all future inquiries, communications and claim submissions.
2100	REF		Other Claim Related Identification		Cigna sends the reference identification of "OPEN ACCESS PLUS" For OAP claims using this segment. REF01 Qualifier 'CE' is being used to report this information.

2100	REF	REF02	Other Claim Related Identification	Claim Identification Number for Clearinghouses and Other Transmission Intermediaries:  Some clearinghouses that are trading partners with Cigna have expressed an interest in receiving the data "Claim Identification Number for Clearinghouses and Other Transmission Intermediaries" in the 835. This data (also known a the Clearinghouses document control number, or DCN) is submitted on all three variations of the 837 transaction, in the REF*D9 segment of the 2300 loop.  There is no HIPAA-defined location to place this data on the 835 transaction, but Cigna has agreed to provide the information under the following conditions:  a) The Clearinghouse DCN will be provided in this segment (1st REF segment of the 2100 loop) using qualifier 'D9' to identify it. b) The Clearinghouse DCN will only be provided to Trading Partners that request it in writing, and agree to these conditions. c) The Trading Partners that receive this information agree to remove it from the transaction before forwarding the transaction to any other entities. D) The Trading Partners that receive this information should modify their edits to allow/accep 6 occurrences of the REF segment wherein the 6th occurrence will be with D9 qualifier and the clearinghouse DCN.	th as
2100	DTM		Received Date	Cigna sends the Claim Received date using this segment.	

## 10.5 LOOP 2110 (835) - SERVICE PAYMENT INFORMATION

Loop	Segment	Element	Name	Code(s)	Definition of Code/Notes
2110	AMT		Service Supplemental Amount		Cigna sends Allowed amount using this segment. AMT01 Qualifier 'B6' is being used to report this information.

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### 11. APPENDICES

## 11.1. Implementation Checklist

Once you receive Welcome Package, please sign on and test connectivity.

#### 11.2. Business Scenario

- 1. DRG Institutional claims that are processed using a DRG will report adjustments at the claim level only. If there are additional services submitted on the claim that were not included in the DRG payment, these may be reported at the individual service line level in addition to the DRG adjustments at the claim level. See Transmission Example 1 in Appendix 3 for an example of a DRG claim with adjustments at the claim level only.
- 2. Per Diem Institutional claims that are processed with a Per Diem may report adjustments at either a claim level or a service line level. Any adjustments at the service line level will not be repeated at the claim level. See Transmission Example 2 in Appendix 3 for an example of a Per Diem claim with adjustments at the claim level only. See Transmission Example 3 in Appendix 3 for an example of a Per Diem claim with adjustments at the claim level and service line level.
- 3. Choice Fund Reimbursement Accounts many Cigna patients have a Cigna Choice Fund reimbursement account, such as a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) or Health Savings Account (HSA). For patients with these accounts, more than one ERA may be received for the claim. Most payments from the patient's account are sent in the same EFT and ERA as the medical payment.

When payment is made from the patient's account, the ERA indicates the remaining patient responsibility and contains a claim status code:

- 19= Processed as Primary for the underlying plan payment, but with associated patient account payment
- 20= Processed as Secondary for the underlying plan payment, but with associated patient account payment
- 21= Processed as Tertiary for patient account payment, but with associated additional patient account payment

The ERA for patient's account payment has a claim status code of 2 (processed as secondary) or 3 (processed as tertiary) and claim adjustment reason codes:

- OA/187 = Consumer spending account payments (includes but is not limited to Flexible Spending Account, HSA, HRA, etc.
- OA/23 = The impact of prior payer(s) adjudication including payments and/or adjustments. OA/23 is used to balance the patient's account payment with the medical payment.

The above information can help you identify payments from these accounts. See Transmission Example 4 in Appendix 3 for an example of a Choice Fund Reimbursement Account ERA.

#### 11.3. Transmission Example

Transmission Example for the 835 is currently under construction.

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## 11.4. Trading Partner Set Up Request Form

Trading partners who have an active trading partner agreement are given IDs, passwords, and a URL to access the Cigna Technical Assessment Tool. Trading Partners will complete a minimum of three technical assessments to provide Cigna with their contact information, desired connectivity method, and transaction-specific information.

Any questions regarding transmission must be submitted to Cigna EDI Customer Service.

Cigna offers the following transmission methods for securely exchanging batch transactions using the Cigna Gateway:

- HTTPS {PGP Optional}
- Applicability Statement 2 AS2 EDIINT Automated HTTP(s)
- Applicability Statement 3 AS3 EDIINT FTP(s)
- FTP {PGP Mandatory}/FTP-SSL
- SSH/SFTP {PGP Optional}
- IBM Connect:Direct w/Secure+

**Please Note:** These are Cigna Standard offerings. If these methods cannot be applied, contact the Cigna Trading Partner Management help desk at <a href="mailto:CHCTradingPartnerManagement@Cigna.com">CHCTradingPartnerManagement@Cigna.com</a> to schedule a meeting with a Cigna TPM representative.

After establishing a transmission method, each trading partner must successfully complete testing. Information on this phase is provided in the next section of this companion guide.

Before receiving outbound production files, each trading partner should test to ensure they can successfully process a Cigna HIPAA compliant X12 file. First, trading partners will download outbound X12 files from the self-service Cigna Validation Tool. Next, trading partners will run the test files in their system to ensure that the file processes as expected.

#### 11.4.1. Roles and Responsibilities

#### **Trading Partner:**

- Provide Cigna with accurate contact information.
- Complete the Technical assessments. This information will be used to set the trading partner up in the system.
- Coordinate testing with Cigna for the communication option selected.

#### Cigna:

- The Cigna Trading Partner Management team will contact your trading partner regarding any connectivity set-up/testing.
- Trading Partner communications of actual production date.
- Install changes based upon the pre-established Cigna production release procedures.

#### **Cigna Business Area/Application Technical Support:**

Completion of data testing as needed

### 11.5. Change Summary

This section describes the differences between the current Companion Guide and previous guide(s).

Date	Version	Description	Author
03/31/2011	1.0	Initial Version	

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04/25/2011	1.1	ST03 row removed from the ST-SE table in	
04/25/2011	1.1	section 6.3	
07/28/2011	1.2	<ul> <li>Post-delivery updates based on feedback:         <ul> <li>Removed CTX05, CTX06 and IK403 entries from table in section 3.1</li> </ul> </li> <li>Corrections made to AK905 entries in table in section 3.1</li> <li>Removed HL, ST, and GS segment entries from table in section 3.2</li> <li>Corrections made to customer service information in sections 4.2 and 11</li> <li>Correction made to diagram text in section 4.2.1</li> <li>Added information regarding 277CA in section 4.3</li> <li>Replaced section 4.5 and made changes to password information in sections 4.6 and 11</li> <li>Corrections made to Transaction Set Control Number assignment in table in</li> </ul>	
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01/10/2012	1.5	Post-delivery updates made based on feedback:  • Text added to section 4.3 regarding file naming conventions for files	
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		Additional transfer methods added to 4.2 and	
		11.4	
		Ability to replay and single remit or file added to	
		section 4.3.1	
		Additional business rules to section 7	
		New Loop information will be sent in section 10	
10/20/2016	1.12	Added the two GS IDs for the Medicaid	Karen Roberg
		Reclamation remits.	

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