Enhanced HIPAA Testing Process available November 11, 2003

Starting November 11, 2003, NY State’s Medicaid Fiscal Agent, Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC), will be accepting 837 test files using the Test/Production indicator. Enhanced testing can be done by performing the following steps:

- Successful testing through EDIFECs should be completed prior to these submissions.
- Testing should be done with smaller samples of transactions, and not production volumes.
- Electronic test submissions should be sent through the HIPAA options on the Unix, or tape/diskette/cartridge should be sent to the production address below with the accompanying colored HIPAA transmittal form. The colored Transmittal Forms can be obtained by calling CSC’s EMC Control at (518) 447-9256.
  
  EMC Control – First Floor
  Computer Sciences Corporation
  800 North Pearl Street
  Albany, NY 12204

- Utilize the ISA header on 837. ISA15 must contain ‘T’ (Test).
- Output from testing will be a test report (for the first 25 claims submitted) and either an 835/820 tape remittance (if the submitter currently receives remittance on tape) or a facsimile of our current proprietary paper remittance (if the submitter currently receives paper remittance).

Turnaround for this process is expected to be approximately 7 to 10 days.