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Will You Be Ready?

The time to start working on the CMS payer-to-payer data exchange mandate is **now**

The **2027 enforcement deadline** may seem far off, but complying with the Payer-to-Payer Data Exchange requirement is much more complex than many health plans understand.

Waiting to start planning until 2025 or 2026 could leave you vulnerable to costly penalties and connectivity delays.

2025   2026   2027

Considerations as You Move Down the Path to Compliance

Resource Dependencies and Delays
Internal development can face delays due to unforeseen resource needs. One payer reported that it took six-eight people six months to establish one payer-to-payer connection.

Knowledge Specialists are Required
Experienced teams featuring staff with prior FHIR implementation will reduce future resource needs.

Long-Term Planning and Support
Development expertise, maintenance capacity, and adherence to standards are crucial for successful, long-term implementation.

Payer-to-Payer Bulk API is Constantly Evolving
Standards like the Payer-to-Payer Bulk API are still being finalized, adding complexity and the need to monitor and adapt to evolving requirements.

Ongoing Maintenance
Maintaining and enhancing these connections demand significant resources.

Achieve a Faster Build with FHIR Servers
Leverage existing FHIR servers for quicker, efficient internal builds.

Six Reasons Why Starting Early is Key to a Successful Implementation

Don't wait for the mandatory enforcement deadline. Seize the opportunity to lead, collaborate, and shape the future of healthcare connectivity and ensure success by starting your implementation process early.

01
Leverage a growing network of payers to create multiple economies of scale.

02
Validate that APIs are interoperable to avoid pitfalls and implementation delays.

03
Drive standardization by collaborating with a network of peers to understand and address gaps in the HL7 implementation guides.

04
Ensure your organization's "voice at the table" as the payer-to-payer landscape matures.

05
Start realizing the benefits of payer-to-payer data exchange ahead of schedule and in time for open enrollment.

06
Free up resources to work on other CMS mandates as the deadline approaches.

The Unexpected Challenges of End-to-End Testing

Testing is a frequently overlooked, yet critical consideration for ensuring compliance with the Payer-to-Payer Data Exchange process. However, many health plans are falling behind in this critical area.

THE BENEFITS OF EARLY TESTING INCLUDE:

Identify
Identify and address pitfalls and gaps in CMS implementation guides.

Uncover
Uncover and manage small variances in how payers implement payer-to-payer connections that can create big connectivity challenges.

Validate
Validate service functionality along the way.

Pinpoint
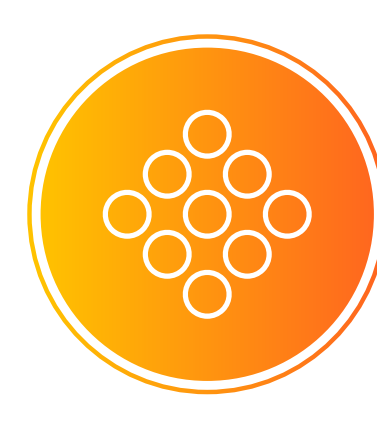Pinpoint challenges such as rescheduling, repurposing, and working around testing limitations.

Resolve
Resolve issues with basic authentication steps between servers.

Fortify
Fortify operational readiness under controlled conditions for a smooth transition.

Standardize
Standardize your network and recognize potential issues with HL7 implementation guides.

Availity is Ahead of The Curve

Establishing seamless connectivity between payers demands adherence to specific infrastructure requirements and the implementation of standardized processes. To ensure smooth operations and effective data exchange testing, Availity has been working on a dynamic partnership with a select cohort of payers to pioneer the inaugural set of payer connections within our **Availity Connectivity Hub**.

Lead the wave of change and start your journey today to avoid future fines and delays. The network we're building at Availity will generate multiple economies of scale. By connecting with us, you avoid the need to establish and maintain individual connections with every payer; instead, we handle all connections across the network, reducing the resources needed for development and support, so you are better positioned to meet all aspects of the mandate. We provide a fully validated and road-tested API, helping you sidestep implementation pitfalls and delays. Working with our team is the key to success in this endeavor.

Get started today!

Payer-To-Payer Data Exchange

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