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MEDICARE AS SECONDARY PAYER REPORTING DEADLINES DELAYED

BACKGROUND

Last week, we sent a bulletin reminding you that under federal law, insurers providing any liability, no-fault and workers' compensation must register with the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This requirement applies to personal and commercial lines coverages including Homeowners, Dwelling Liability, Auto Liability and Commercial Liability and would also extend to any medical payments and auto uninsured motorists coverages.

Due to the complications insurers are facing to implement the reporting requirements, the federal government has agreed to delay the deadlines.

EFFECTIVE DATE

The registration deadline has been moved to September 30, 2009 from June 30, 2009. The testing period deadline has been moved to March 31, 2010.

AVAILABILITY

Information about the registration and reporting process is available on the Federal Government website at: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/mandatoryinsrep/>

QUESTIONS

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