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1. FREQUENCY OF DATA EXCHANGES

A. State Wages and Income Collection Agencies (SWICA) and Social Security Administration (SSA) Wage and Earning Files

Exchanges with SWICA and SSA wage and earnings files are conducted consistent with IEVS regulations. The SWICA exchange is conducted upon Medicaid application and quarterly on all recipients. Exchanges on absent parents are conducted monthly. The SSA data exchange is conducted consistent with IEVS.

B. Industrial Commission Data Exchange

DHS determined that it was not cost effective to maintain this match, due to the fact the DHS' effective Trauma Edit Project was a duplicate effort. (See D)

C. State Motor Vehicle Data Exchange

There is currently no DMV match, although if an auto accident were identified via a Trauma Lead Letter, the IME Revenue Collections Unit would review the Trauma Lead Letter and create a lien case to pursue recovery.

D. Diagnosis and Trauma Code Edits

On a monthly cycle, members with paid claims showing ICD trauma diagnosis codes are reported by the IME Core Unit. A questionnaire is sent to each member requesting verification as to the accident or injury. Upon receipt of member responses, the IME Revenue Collections Unit follows up and contacts liable third parties, initiates recovery action, and tracks all efforts.

2. FOLLOW-UP

A. Absent Parents

The names, social security numbers, and possible third party resources of noncustodial and custodial parents are obtained by the Child Support Recovery Unit (CSRU) and entered into the TPL Subsystem of the MMIS on a weekly basis. The above-referenced information is also requested on the Supplemental Insurance Questionnaire (SIQ). When information is obtained from the SIQ, it is verified via telephonic or web site verification and loaded via electronic processes into the MMIS or entered directly into the TPL Subsystem of the MMIS.

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2. FOLLOW-UP (Cont.)

A. Absent Parents (Cont.)

The Child Support Recovery Unit sends a weekly file to the IME Revenue Collections Unit, which includes insurance information when coverage is provided by a noncustodial parent.

B. Industrial Commission

DHS determined that it was not cost effective to maintain this match, due to the fact that DHS' effective Trauma Code Edit Project was a duplicate effort. (See 4.22-A, page 1, item 1 D.)

C. State Motor Vehicle Accident File

Not applicable. See Section 1, paragraph C.

D. Diagnosis and Trauma Code

Diagnosis and trauma code edits are being conducted for all ICD trauma diagnosis codes, consistent with applicable Federal guidelines.

Casualty claims threshold is set at $250.00.

For casualty claims, the IME Revenue Collections Unit proactively prioritize cases with higher claim values, but reactively work any and all cases where an attorney or insurance company contacts us to request claim recovery information.

Casualty and trauma claims are accumulated from the date of the accident and are added together for one (1) year to compare to the $250.00 threshold.

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2. FOLLOW-UP (Cont.)

D. Diagnosis and Trauma Code (Cont.)

Casualty or liability recoveries are initiated by many sources. Referrals are received from members, questionnaires (trauma), data matches, providers, attorneys, and many other sources. When a casualty/liability case is discovered, the parties are notified of Medicaid's subrogation and lien rights in writing. A claims summary printout is obtained from the MMIS system. Claims paid by Medicaid are reviewed and the claims determined to be related to the casualty/liability case are calculated. The Revenue Collections Unit files a lien for the amount of related paid claims with the County Court where the member resides. Updated liens are filed as necessary to ensure Medicaid's lien is current.