

## Loop Segment PWK-06 Character Limitation to Change With EDI 5010 Implementation on August 1, 2012

Information posted May 31, 2012

TMHP will make changes to the electronic data interchange (EDI) 5010 companion guides on June 7, 2012, to reflect changes to the loop segment PWK-06 character limitation. Loop 2300 segment PWK-06 is used by TMHP for other insurance information on electronic claims.

Currently, the PWK-06 segment has an 80-character limitation. On August 1, 2012, the PWK-06 segment will be replaced by two 50-character segments.

Beginning June 7, 2012, TMHP will accept either the 80-character segment or two 50-character segments. TMHP will accept either format until August 1, 2012, to give providers and submitters time to update their code to reflect the 50-character limitation. Beginning August 1, 2012, 80 characters in the PWK-06 segment will no longer be allowed.

Providers can refer to the updated companion guides for details about the new expectations of how the PWK-06 segments are to be submitted.

**Note:** This change only affects acute care 837 professional, 837 dental, and 837 institutional transactions.

Providers should direct all questions and support requests to the EDI Version 5010 Implementation email address at [EDI5010Support@tmhp.com](mailto:EDI5010Support@tmhp.com).