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Regulatory Update

Title 65.2-605.1, (G) states the Commission shall establish a schedule pursuant to which employers, employers' workers' compensation insurance carriers, and providers of workers' compensation medical services shall submit their billing, electronically to employers or employers' workers' compensation insurance carriers, as applicable (payers) and payers shall return actual payment, claim status, and remittance information electronically to providers that submit their billing and required supporting documentation electronically.

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Spotlight Focus

I have been hearing a lot of talk about E-Billing... What is it?

E-Billing "Electronic billing". Virginia Code § 65.2-605.1 mandates that payers accept electronic bills for medical goods and services.

When does it become effective?

Compliance begins July 1, 2019, however, providers and payers may voluntarily comply with the provisions on December 31, 2018.

Will all payers and providers need to begin E-Billing?

There are some exceptions. See our 'Did you know?' section below to learn more!

More questions about E-Billing?
Contact the MFS Department at
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Did you know?

- Providers are exempt from the requirement to submit medical bills electronically to a payer if:
 - The provider employs fewer than 10 full-time employees; or
 - The provider submitted a small number of medical bills for workers' compensation treatment, in the previous calendar year.
- Electronic billing rules allow for health care providers and claim administrators to use agents to accomplish the requirement of electronic billing. Claim administrators and health care providers are responsible for the acts or omissions of their agents.
- A companion guide to be used in conjunction with E-Billing standards is available at VWC E-billing



MFS Education Series

The MFS Department is committed to educating providers and payers about practical application of Virginia's Medical Fee Schedule.

If you would like to host a training at your facility, let us know!

We would love to hear from you

Stay tuned for future educational outreach dates in 2019

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