

837 Dental Claims Standard Companion Guide

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837 DENTAL CLAIMS STANDARD COMPANION GUIDE

This document is for clarification purposes only and is intended to assist in the submission of 837D transactions to Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana. It is not intended to include all claim filing guidelines or in any way to exceed the requirements or usage of data expressed in the TR3.

This guide has been developed by BCBSLA and should be used in conjunction with the ASC X12 Standards for Electronic Data Interchange Technical Report Type 3 (TR3) Health Care Claim: Dental version 005010X224A2.

To use this guide, first familiarize yourself with the table of contents, which will direct you to the information you need.

All times in this guide refer to Central Standard Time (CST).

This guide is available online at <u>www.BCBSLA.com/providers</u> >Electronic Services >Companion Guides.

If you have questions about the information in this guide, you may send an email to <u>EDIServices@bcbsla.com</u>.

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BlueCard [®] (Out of Area)	1-800-676-2583
BCBSLA Authorizations 8 a.m5 p.m.	1-800-523-6435
BCBSLA Authorizations 5 p.m 8 a.m.	1-888-809-2698
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For questions regarding credentialing/recredentialing	Option 2
For questions regarding your provider file data	Option 3
For questions regarding provider relations	Option 4
For questions regarding administrative representative setup	Option 5

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EDI Clearinghouse Support Email address:	EDIServices@bcbsla.com
BCBSLA Provider Page:	www.BCBSLA.com/providers
EDI Clearinghouse Documentation:	www.BCBSLA.com/providers >Electronic Services

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General Information

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), requires that all health insurance payers (including but not limited to BCBSLA) and all covered entities adopt national standards for electronic healthcare transactions, code sets, unique health identifiers and security. The 837D transaction set has been named under 45 CFR 162 as the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) standard for health care claim dental.

Scope

All clients exchanging dental claim transactions must use the X12 IG/TR3 5010 ASC X12N 837D (005010X224A2), Health Care Claim: Dental and the ASC X12 999, Implementation Acknowledgement for healthcare insurance. Both can be purchased from the Washington Publishing Company.

This companion guide is within the framework of the ASC X12 adopted for use under HIPAA and is not intended to contradict or exceed the X12 requirements.

This guide provides clarification on BCBSLA requirements of situational data elements and segments that must be used as well as those that do not apply to BCBSLA. Additionally, it contains detailed information regarding the set-up process, BCBSLA contact information, accepted communications, reports and more. Therefore; this document should be used by technical and business resources involved in the 837D process exchange.

Providers, clearinghouses, and/or third-party vendors, herein referred to as trading partners should use this companion guide to supplement the X12 guides for exchanging 837D transactions with BCBSLA.

All claim transactions must also conform to guidelines set forth in our BCBSLA provider manuals, including the *Dental Provider Office Manual** as well as comply with any provisions in your BCBSLA provider agreements.

*The manual is available online at <u>www.BCBSLA.com/providers</u> >Resources.

Overview

The 837D inbound is the claim transaction sent from the trading partner to BCBSLA to request claim adjudication. We allow batch submissions of claim transactions.

Batch transactions are an accumulation of 837 claim transactions for many members. Once accumulated, the trading partner connects to BCBSLA and the "batch" is dropped off for processing.

On a normal business day, claim transmissions are moved at 3 p.m. for nightly processing. All batch transmissions received after this time will be processed the following business day. Additional details regarding normal business days and response times can be found in the "Connectivity with the Payer/Communications" section of this guide.

BCBSLA does not charge a fee to exchange transactions electronically. Claim transactions are subject to HIPAA validation. Validation occurs at the batch and claim level. All claim transactions are subjected to the Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI) Strategic National Implementation Process (SNIP) validation levels 1-4:

SNIP Level	Validation	Purpose of Validation
1	EDI Syntax Integrity	Ensures valid X12 syntax submitted
2	Syntactical Requirement	Validates X12 adheres to Implementation Guide (IG)
3	Balancing	Verifies field totals are correct and financial balancing
4	Situational	Tests inter segment situations (if A occurs then B is required)

In addition, BCBSLA business specific edits are applied. A complete listing of the error message descriptions can be found in the "Payer Specific Business Rules" section of this guide.

Claims that fail HIPAA validation or the BCBSLA business rules require correction and resubmission.

Reference

X12 Version 5010A1 Technical Requirements 3:

X12 transactions are developed and maintained by the Accredited Standards Committee X12, which is chartered by the American National Standards Institute. X12 guides are published and can be purchased from the Washington Publishing Company website at <u>www.wpc-edi.com</u>.

Getting Started

Working with BCBSLA

Trading partners exchanging 837 transactions with BCBSLA may do so 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The system will be periodically unavailable for scheduled maintenance and updates outside of normal business hours. Although BCBSLA strives to have the systems available 24 hours, seven days a week, uninterrupted service is not guaranteed.

Production transmissions are moved at 3 p.m. for nightly processing. All batch transmissions received after this time will be processed the following business day.

We provide both email and telephone support to our clients during our normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Exceptions are made for holidays and emergency closures.

Trading Partner Registration

Trading partner registration is required in order to exchange transactions with BCBSLA.

The following table is designed to provide a high-level guide of enrollment and the activation process. For complete details on testing and moving into production processing, refer to the "Testing Overview" section of this guide.

Step	Activity
1	EDI Enrollment
	For initial enrollment, sign and return two (2) originals of the Electronic Trading Partner Agreement ("Agreement") and the EDI Transaction Addendum. These documents can be
	downloaded from the BCBSLA corporate website.
2	Test Submitter ID Assigned and Notification
	Upon receipt of the appropriate agreements, BCBSLA will issue a test submitter identification (ID) number and a secure password.
3	Testing
	Trading partner submits test transactions. Large locations maximum of 1,000 claims. Small locations, a minimum of 50.
	File should contain valid patient data; otherwise, the test may fail.
	Must contain claims representative of claims that will be submitted in production.
	The trading partner is responsible for reviewing test results, correcting identified errors and retesting.
4	Live/Production
	Once a successful test is completed, an EDI representative will issue a production submitter ID number and a secure password via email notification.

Testing Overview

BCBSLA will require testing with trading partners before accepting production transmissions. Testing is prudent to ensure errors are identified prior to moving into production submissions. Failure to properly test can result in a negative impact on provider cash flow.

The trading partner will receive all report outputs that are available in production. For example, if a trading partner submits a test file, they will receive a TA1 and 999. Then, depending on the results; other reports may be provided. To explain, when the entire submission passes HIPAA validation, the Accepted/Not Accept Report will be generated. When individual claims or a batch (ST/SE) fails, the BCCLREDI report will also be returned. However; when the entire submission (ISA/IEA) fails, only the BCCLREDI report will be returned.

<u>Retesting is required if you are upgrading your billing software or changing software vendors</u>. BCBSLA reserves the right to revoke production status when trading partners' transactions repeatedly cause production errors.

Testing with the Payer

Adhere to this checklist to ensure a smooth transition in the electronic exchange of transactions with BCBSLA.

Testing checklist:

	Validate Key Fields Prior to Test & Production Submissions
~	Verify usage indicator in the ISA15 is correct (Must be T for test and P for production)
~	Use valid patient data and a rich variety of production claim types
~	Validate the Blue member ID number and that the contract number fields include the member's 3-character prefix. Federal Employee Program member ID numbers do not have a 3-character prefix. These member ID numbers have the letter "R," followed by eight or nine numeric values
~	Confirm the correct billing provider number, National Provider Identifier (NPI) and taxonomy (when subunits share an NPI) are accurate for the unit in which services were performed
~	Verify the assignment of benefits indicator correctly identifies the appropriate direction of payment (provider or subscriber)

Testing Steps

Below is a quick view of testing and how to request production activation.

	Testing Requirements
1	Trading partner submits completed the Electronic Trading Partner Agreement
2	BCBSLA distributes a test submitter ID and secure password
3	 Trading partner creates test file of claims containing: Valid patient data Rich variety of the claim types that will be submitted in production
4	Maximum of 1,000 claims per test. For smaller facilities, a minimum of 25/50 claims are required for test/approval
5	Trading partner transmits test file to BCBSLA clearinghouse
6	Test files automatically process at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Monday - Friday
7	 Trading partner retrieves and reviews the following reports: TA1 999 BCCLREDI (if generated) Accept/Not Accepted (if claims pass HIPAA validation)
8	Trading partner corrects and resubmits files if errors issued on BCCLREDI or Not Accepted Report
9	Continue testing (all claims) until 98% pass rate achieved
10	 Trading partner emails <u>EDIServices@bcbsla.com</u> to advise: Testing complete Date of Accept/Not Accepted Report that indicated 98% pass rate Request approval to be moved into production
11	BCBSLA issues production ID & password via secure email to the name and email address on the Electronic Trading Partner Agreement
	Note: Test transactions are NOT processed for payment

Connectivity with the Payer/Communications

Process Flows

To submit 837 transactions with BCBSLA, the trading partners needs to comply with the requirements in our high-level enrollment process

		Step 3	Step 4	Step 5	Step 6
Electronic re Trading ar Partner cc Agreement in	CBSLA eceives nd onducts nternal etup	•Trading partner received test ID and password	•Trading partner conducts testing	•Trading partner emails BCBSLA to request approval for production	•Trading partner begins production exchange

Transmission Administrative Procedures

Structure Requirements

For claim transactions we accept batch transactions. Batching is an accumulation of 837D transactions for many members/patients. Once accumulated, the trading partner connects to BCBSLA and the "batch of transactions" is dropped off for processing.

Response Times Production

Responses for transactions received Monday through Friday (non-holiday) by 3 p.m., should be available by 8 p.m. the same business day. Responses for transactions after 3 p.m. will be returned by 8 p.m. the following business day.

<u>Test</u>

Responses will be returned at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Communication Management

BCBSLA has selected a communication management software package called Ipswitch Messageway as the focal point for secure file transfers with business partners.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP)

The secure session options that BCBSLA has available to its clients are:

- FTPS FTP with SSL (implicit encryption)
- FTPS FTP with SSL (explicit encryption)
- SFTP FTP over SSH

Just about any modern secure FTP client will work as long as it supports FTPS and SFTP. A list of common software packages that can be used to establish connection is listed below. Please be aware that BCBSLA does not advocate any of these products over the others available.

Common FTP Software		
FileZilla		
CuteFTP		
CoreFTP		
Glub Tech Secure FTP		
WS_FTP Professional		

If you are already using a dedicated FTP client, chances are it already has secure FTP capabilities built into it, so it is advised to explore that option prior to upgrading or changing to a different client program.

Configuring FTPS (Implicit port 990)

In the connection setup or properties of the connection to MFT.BCBSLA.COM (199.117.168.21), locate the option that allows you to choose the protocol type. Select the uses FTP with SSL (implicit encryption) on <u>port 990</u>.

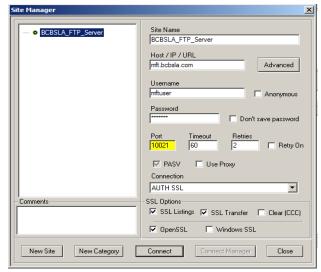
To help illustrate this procedure, to the right is a screen capture from the CoreFTP client on how this feature appears (configuration options may vary depending on which FTP client is being used).

Site Manager	<u>></u>
BCBSLA_FTP_Server	Site Name BCBSLA_FTP_Server
	Host / IP / URL mft.bcbsla.com Advanced
	Username Imftuser I Anonymous
	Password T Don't save password
	Port Timeout Retries 990 60 2 Retry On
	PASV 🗖 Use Proxy
	Connection FTPS (SSL DIRECT)
Comments	- SSL Options
	SSL Listings V SSL Transfer Clear (CCC)
	OpenSSL Windows SSL
New Site New Category	Connect Connect Manager Close

Configuring FTPS (Explicit port 10021)

In the connection setup or properties of the connection to MFT.BCBSLA.COM (199.117.168.21), locate the option that allows you to choose the protocol type. Select the uses FTP with SSL (explicit encryption) on <u>port 10021</u>.

To help illustrate this procedure, to the right is a screen capture from the CoreFTP client on how this feature appears (configuration options may vary depending on which FTP client is being used).



Configuring SFTP

In the connection setup or properties of the connection to MFT.BCBSLA.COM (199.117.168.21), locate the option that allows you to choose the protocol type. Select the option that uses SFTP using SSH on port 22.

To help illustrate this procedure, to the right is a screen capture from the CoreFTP client on how this feature appears (configuration options may vary depending on which FTP client is being used).

BCBSLA_FTP_Server	Site Name BCBSLA_FTP_Server Host / IP / URL mt.bcbsla.com Advanced
	Username mftuser Anonymous Password Don't save password Pott Timeout Retries
	22 60 2 Retry Or Image: Past in the proxy Use Proxy Connection SSH/SFTP
I Comments	SSL Options SSL Listing: SSL Transfer Clear (CCC) C OpenSSL Windows SSL

FTP File Formats

BCBSLA accepts HIPAA ANSI X12N approved standard transaction formats. The table below lists accepted transaction formats and their transmission modes.

Transactions	Transaction ID	Mode
Institutional Claims	8371	Batch
Professional Claims	837P	Batch
Dental Claims	837D	Batch
Eligibility Request and Response	270/271	Real-time and Batch
Claim Status and Response	276/277	Real-time and Batch
HC Services Review and Response	278	Real-time and Batch
Electronic Remittance	835	Outbound-Batch

FTP Host Site

MFT.BCBSLA.COM (199.117.168.21)

Trading Partner Submitter ID and Passwords

HIPAA privacy and security rules set forth in Social Security Act § 1173(d) require authentication to ensure that unauthorized access to protected health information does not occur. Therefore, BCBSLA has instituted ID and password protections with trading partners engaging in EDI transactions.

Authentication requires a unique trading partner ID and a password. Once the Electronic Trading Partner Agreement has been authorized, the password is distributed by the Provider Identity Management (PIM) Team through a secure email.

Each trading partner is responsible for maintaining the security of the ID and password.

Control Segments/General Structure

- Each inbound transaction must contain at least one ISA/IEA interchange. Within the ISA to IEA, at least one GS/GE functional groups, and each GS/GE must contain one or more ST/SE transaction sets.
- Negative results are not processed
- Claim charges submitted in excess of \$99,999,999.99 are not allowed
- Maximum of 5,000 claims per batch
- Maximum of 50 lines per claim
- BCBSLA does not support file compression
- BCBSLA recommends that trading partners use the preferred transaction delimiters:

Character	Name	Delimiter
*	Asterisk	Data element separator
:	Colon	Component element separator
~	Tilde	Segment terminator
^	Carat	Repetition separator

Preferred 837 Transaction Delimiters

Enveloping Specifications

The following pages define the BCBSLA specific requirements regarding the header and trailer associated with the interchange control (ISA/IEA), function group (GS/GE) and transaction set (ST/SE).

Element	Description	Value	Comments
ISA01	Authorization info qualifier	00	Use 00
ISA02	Authorization info	1234567890	Must use 1234567890
ISA03	Security qualifier	00	Use 00
ISA04	Security information	1234567890	Must use 1234567890
ISA05	Interchange ID qualifier	ZZ	Must use ZZ
ISA06	Interchange sender ID		Submitter ID number assigned by BCBSLA
			 Fixed length field; 15 positions must left justify
			GS02 must contain same value
ISA07	Interchange ID qualifier	ZZ	Must use ZZ
ISA08	Interchange receiver ID	BCBSLA001	Must use BCBSLA001. Fixed length field; 15 positions must left justify Ex. BCBSLA001
ISA09	Interchange date	YYMMDD	Use YYMMDD format
ISA10	Interchange time	ННММ	Use HHMM format
ISA11	Repetition separator	٨	Use ^ (carat)
ISA12	Version ID	00501	Must use 00501
ISA13	Interchange control #		Must be identical to value in IEA02
ISA14	Acknowledgement requested	0 or 1	TA1 will automatically be sent for files that cannot be processed or submitted for HIPAA validation
ISA15	Usage indicator	T or P	Must be T for test or P for production
ISA16	Component separator	:	Use : (colon)
IEA01	Number of Included functional groups		Count of functional groups (GS to GE) contained within the interchange
IEA02	Interchange control #		Assigned by the sender. (IEA02 must be identical to ISA13). Fixed length field must contain 9 positions.

Interchange Control/Envelopes ISA (header) and IEA (trailer)

Functional Group GS (header) and GE (trailer)

Element	Description	Value	Comments
GS01	Functional identifier code	НС	837 Dental = HC
GS02	Application sender ID		Must use submitter ID number assigned by BCBSLA. Must contain same value as ISA06
GS03	Application receiver ID	BCBSLA001	Must use BCBSLA001
GS04	Date	CCYYMMDD	Creation date in CCYYMMDD format
GS05	Time	HHMM	Creation time in HHMM format
GS06	Group control number	Same as GS02	Assigned by the sender (GS06 must be identical to GE02)
GS07	Agency code	Х	Must be X Accredited Standards Committee
GS08	Version/release	005010X224A2	837D must be: 005010X224A2
GE01	Number of transaction sets		Total number of transaction sets (ST to SE) contained within the functional group
GE02	Group control number		Assigned by the sender (GE02 must be identical to GS06)

Transaction Set ST (header) and SE (trailer)

Element	Description	Value	Comments
ST02 & SE02	Transaction set control number		Assigned by the sender (ST02 must be identical to SE02). Field must contain 4 – 9 positions and cannot contain more than 3 leading zeros.
ST03	Implementation convention reference	005010X224A2	For 837 Dental must use: 005010X224A2

Payer Specific Business Rules

BCBSLA Contract Numbers

The member ID number is vital in submission of paper and electronic transactions. Obtaining a basic understanding of the various contract types should assist in avoiding unnecessary rejections for invalid contract number.

Contract/Claim Filing Guide

BCBSLA Contract Types

Туре	Contract	How to Identify	Filing Guide	Member ID Examples:	Report Prefix
BCBSLA	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana	Member ID card indicates BCBSLA as the healthcare plan	Always include the 3- character prefix that precedes the member ID. Patient name (first and last) <u>and</u> date of birth must match the BCBSLA system.	XUA200000000 XUP223456789 XUH123456789 BPS123456789	Yes
FEP	Federal Employee Program	Member ID begins with R, followed by eight or nine numeric digits	First position must be R, remaining 8 or 9 positions must be numeric	R123456780 R03456789	N/A
Out-of- Area	Out of-Area/ BlueCard®	3-character prefix Member ID card shows a BlueCard indicator	Always include the 3- character prefix that precedes the member ID. The prefix can be either all alpha or alpha numeric.	SW123456789012 MTM123456789 B2G234568598 or S3T58974589	Yes

Taxonomy Codes

Taxonomy codes are federally established 10-position alpha numeric codes that healthcare providers use to identify their unique specialty areas.

When a healthcare provider (professional or facility) has a single NPI that is shared for multiple specialties/locations, BCBSLA uses the NPI, Tax ID, DOS and ZIP code in order to achieve a one-to-one match to the appropriate BCBSLA assigned provider number. In the event a single match cannot be made, then the taxonomy code is required on claim submissions and is then used to select the appropriate number.

The following table provides a listing of the taxonomy codes currently set up for submission to BCBSLA. To expedite claims submission, it is recommended that if a taxonomy code is required for claim processing, the selection of a valid code be made from this listing. If a code will be used that is not listed, prior to submitting claims, please contact EDI Services to advise the taxonomy code you will be using and to determine if BCBSLA will set up that taxonomy code for claims processing.

Failure to work with EDI staff prior to using a taxonomy code not found on the table may result in rejected claims.

Provider Description	Taxonomy Code	Claim Type
General Acute Hospital	282N00000X	8371
General Acute Hospital	282NC0060X	8371
General Acute Hospital	282NC2000X	8371
General Acute Hospital Rural	282NR1301X	8371
General Acute Hospital	282NW0100X	8371
Skilled Nursing Facility	275N00000X	8371
Skilled Nursing Facility (SKNF) & VA Military Hospital Skilled Nursing Facility	31400000X	8371
Nursing Home	376G00000X	8371
Urology	203BU0002X	837P
Family Practice	207Q00000X	837P
Internal Medicine	207R00000X	837P
Obstetrics and Gynecology	207V00000X	837P
Ophthalmology	207W00000X	837P
Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation	208100000X	837P
Psychiatry	2084P0800X	837P

Taxonomy codes set up in BCBSLA system

Provider Description	Taxonomy Code	Claim Type
General Practice	208D00000X	837P
Cardiothoracic Vascular Surgery	208G00000X	837P
Hospitalist	208M00000X	837P
Home Health Agency	251E00000X	8371
Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics	1223X0400X	837D
Pharmacy	333600000X	837P
Pharmacy	3336C0002X	837P
Pharmacy	3336C0003X	837P
Pharmacy	3336C0004X	837P
Pharmacy	3336I0012X	837P
Pharmacy	3336L0003X	837P
Pharmacy	3336M0002X	837P
Pharmacy	3336M0003X	837P
Pharmacy	3336N0007X	837P
Specialty Pharmacy	3336S0011X	837P
Multi-Specialty Clinic	193200000X	837P
Rehabilitation – Clinic	261QR0400X	837P
Laboratories	291U00000X	837P
Ambulance	341600000X	837P
Ambulance	3416A0800X	837P
Ambulance	3416L0300X	837P
Psychologist	103T00000X	837P
Psychology – Prescribing (Medical)	103TP0016X	837P
Chiropractor	111N00000X	837P
Registered Nurse	166W00000X	837P
Ambulatory Surgery Center	261QA1903X	8371
Renal Dialysis Facilities	261QE0700X	8371
Nurse Practitioner	363L00000X	837P
Nurse Practitioner – Family	363LF00000X	837P
Clinical Nurse Specialty	364S00000X	837P
CRNA	367500000X	837P
Physical Therapy	225100000X	837P

Provider Description	Taxonomy Code	Claim Type
Occupational Therapist	225X00000X	837P
Speech & Language Pathologist	235Z00000X	837P
Physical Therapy-Clinic	261QP2000X	837P
Optometrist	152W00000X	837P
Durable Medical Equipment	332B00000X	837P
Durable Medical Equipment	332BC3200X	837P
Durable Medical Equipment	332BD1200X	837P
Durable Medical Equipment	332BN1400X	837P
Durable Medical Equipment	332BP3500X	837P
Durable Medical Equipment	332BX2000X	837P
Durable Medical Equipment	335E00000X	837P
Audiologist	231H00000X	837P
Social Worker	104100000X	837P
Rehabilitation Center	273Y00000X	8371
Rehabilitation Center	283X00000X	8371
Psychiatric Hospital	273R00000X	8371
Psychiatric Hospital	283Q00000X	8371
Rehabilitation, Substance Abuse Disorder	261QR0405X	8371
Alcohol Drug Rehab CDU	276400000X	8371
Hospice	251G00000X	8371
Hospice	315D00000X	8371
Lithotripsy Orthotripsy	261QL0400X	8371
Licensed Professional Counselor	101Y00000X	837P
Marriage & Family Therapist	106H00000X	837P
Hematology & Oncology	207RH0003X	837P
Diagnostic Radiology Center	2085R0001X	837P
Diagnostic Radiology Center	2085R0202X	837P
Diagnostic Radiology Center	261QR0200X	8371
VA Military Hospital Acute Care	282N00000X	8371
VA Military Hospital Acute Care	286500000X	8371
VA Military Hospital Acute Care	2865C1500X	8371
VA Military Hospital Acute Care	2865M2000X	8371

Provider Description	Taxonomy Code	Claim Type
VA Military Hospital Acute Care	2865X1600X	8371
VA Military Hospital Psychiatric	273R00000X	8371
VA Military Hospital Psychiatric	283Q00000X	8371
VA Military Hospital CDU	276400000X	8371
VA Military Hospital SNF	275N00000X	8371
VA Military Hospital SNF	31400000X	8371
VA Military Hospital - HHA	251E00000X	8371
VA Military Hospital – (ASC) Ambulatory Surgery Center	261QV0200X	8371
Residential Treatment Center	320600000X	8371
Residential Treatment Center	320700000X	8371
Residential Treatment Center	320800000X	8371
Residential Treatment Center	32090000X	8371
Residential Treatment Center	322D00000X	8371
Residential Treatment Center	323P00000X	8371
Residential Treatment Facilities – Substance Abuse	324500000X	8371
Emergency Room Physicians	207P00000X	837P
Emergency Room Physicians	207PE0004X	837D
Emergency Room Physicians	207PE0004X	8371
Emergency Room Physicians	207PE0004X	837P
Emergency Room Physicians	261QE0002X	837P
Infusion Therapy	251F00000X	837P
Infusion Therapy	261QI0500X	837P
Home Infusion Therapy Pharmacy	3336H0001X	837P
Charity Acute Hospital	282N00000X	8371
Charity Acute Hospital	282NC0060X	8371
State Owned Psychiatric Facility	273R00000X	8371
State Owned Psychiatric Facility	283Q00000X	8371
State Owned CDU	276400000X	8371
Long Term Acute Care Facility (LTC)	282E00000X	8371
Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF)	261QR0401X	8371
Sleep Medicine	207RS0012X	837P
Sleep Disorder Diagnostic	261QS1200X	837P

Provider Description	Taxonomy Code	Claim Type
Urgent Care Center	261QU0200X	837P
Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)	261QF0400X	837P
Rural Health	261QR1300X	837P
VA Military Hospital Rehab Center	283X00000X	8371
Certified Applied Behavioral Analyst (CABA)	103K00000X	837P

Acknowledgement and Reports

The BCBSLA clearinghouse provides a series of reports to assist in the tracking and monitoring of transactions. Clearinghouse reports are a critical part of the electronic submission/balancing process.

Trading partners must download their reports unless the FTP software is configured to pull them automatically.

File Name	Report Name	Purpose of Report
BCTA1.out	TA1 Interchange Acknowledgement	Immediate Acknowledgement of Communication
BC999.out	999 Functional Acknowledgement	Indicates the validity of the transaction
CLREDI.html	HIPAA validation	Created only if HIPAA validation errors have been detected
BCAccNotAccRep.out BCBSLA Accepted/Not Accepted Disposition listing of claims after Reports BCBSLA Business Rules applied		
The trading partner is responsible for monitoring all reports to ensure all transactions sent were received and accepted. All rejections and failures require correction and resubmission.		

Reports Generated After Claim Submission

TA1 Interchange Acknowledgement

The TA1 communication report is an immediate acknowledgement of communication and receipt of transmitted files. It is the first step in the reconciliation process.

The TA1 provides the status of an X12 interchange header and trailer. Positive and negative TA1 acknowledgements will be available for X12 files. Negative TA1 reports are generated for files that cannot be processed or submitted for HIPAA validation. The trading partner is responsible for correcting and resubmitting files that produce a negative TA1 report.

Functional Acknowledgment Report: 999

The 999 report is available for all X12 transactions and indicates the validity of a standard transaction. Trading partners will be able to download this report the next time they connect to the BCBSLA clearinghouse. If the 999 contains a rejected status, in many cases the trading partner will receive our HIPAA validation report (BCCLREDI).

A rejected 999 requires the claim or file be corrected and resubmitted.

HIPAA Validation: BCCLREDI Error Report

All transactions are subjected to the Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange (WEDI) Strategic National Implementation Process (SNIP) validation levels 1-4. Levels 5 and 6 are included in the BCBSLA business-specific edits (see table below).

SNIP Level	Validation	Description of Validation	Report/File Name
1	Syntax Integrity	Valid X12 Syntax submitted	CLREDI
2	Syntactical Requirement	X12 adheres to TR3	CLREDI
3	Balancing	Field & financial balancing	CLREDI
4	Situational	Inter segment situations if A occurs then B is required	CLREDI
5	External Code Sets	TR3 medical code sets (included in BCBSLA business rules)	NOT ACCEPTED
6	Business Specific Testing	Payer (BCBSLA) business requirements	NOT ACCEPTED

Transmissions or claims that fail validation require correction and resubmission.

This report is generated/returned only when HIPAA validation errors are detected at the transmission (ISA/IEA, entire file), functional group (GS/GE) transaction set (ST/SE) or individual claims (detail segments). If no errors detected, this report will not be generated.

Normal Severity	Resubmit Batch or Claim
ISA/IEA GS/GE ST/SE	Correct and resubmit the BATCH identified
CLM	Correct and resubmit CLAIM or CLAIMS identified
NM1*85 NM1*82	Correct and resubmit ALL CLAIMS associated with the provider number that failed

Transactions/Claims Failed HIPAA Validation

Only claims with "normal" listed in the "severity" column have been rejected. Informational and warning listed in the severity column are alerts and do not require resubmission.

Instructions: Finding Failed Transactions/Claims:

1. Conduct a search (CTRL F) in report for the word "normal."

Each occurrence will provide the exact error that caused the failure and the error message. The error message contents should provide the information needed to correct the claim/batch.

2. Continue the search throughout the entire report as all claims/batches with the normal indicator requires correction and resubmission.

Sample Report: Warning and Normal Severity Errors

Data with Error Report Executed Tuesday, April 23, 2019 02:59:10 PM (GMT) D:\Edifecs\XEServer\profiles\BCBSLA_BT\workspace\4D01D73F-4ABB-4877-9704-5F138DE828AD

This report shows the results of a submitted data file validated against corresponding guidelines. If there are errors, you must fix the application that created the data file and then generate and submit a new data file.

Report Summary							
Total Errors: 1 Total Warnings: 0 Total Informations: 0							
	Error Count By WEDI SNIP Typ	De					
SNIP Type	SNIP Name	Counts					
0	System	0					
1	EDI Syntax	0					
2	HIPAA Syntax	0					
3	Balancing	0					
4	Situational	1 Errors 0 Warnings 0 Informations					
5	External Code Set	0					
6	Line of Service	0					
7	Partner Specific	0					

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#	Data					
	0 EntireDocument start					
	Errors at EntireDocument level: Errors: 0 Warnings: 0 Informations: 0	Interchange Received:1 Interchange Accepted:0				
	1 Interchange start					
	Guideline file: D:\Edifecs\XEngine\config\BCBSLA	\\guidelines\BCBSLA_5010_ISA.ecs				
		Sender ID: P0005002 Sender Qualifier: ZZ				
	Errors at Interchange level: Group Received:1	Receiver ID: BCBSLA001 Receiver Qualifier: ZZ				
	Warnings: 0 Informations: 0 Group Accepted:0	Control Number: 009413592 Version: 00501				
		Date: 190423 Time: 0626				
1	ISA*00* *00* *ZZ*P0001234 *ZZ*BCBSLA001 *19	00423*0626*^*00501*001234567*1*P*:				
	1.1 Group start					
	Guideline file: D:\Edifecs\XEngine\config\BCBSLA	\\guidelines\BCBSLA_5010_GS.ecs				
	Errors at Group level: Transaction Received:1	Sender ID: P0005002 Receiver ID: BCBSLA001				
	Errors: 0 Warnings: 0	Control Number: 9413592 Version: 005010X224A2				
	Informations: 0 Transaction Accepted:0	Date: 20190423 Time: 0626				
2	GS*HC*P0001234*BCBSLA001*20190423*0626*	1234567*X*005010X224A2				
	1.1.1 Transaction start					
	Guideline file: D:\Edifecs\XEngine\config\BCBSLA	\\guidelines\BCBSLA_5010_837D_X224A2.ecs				
	Errors at Transaction level: Errors: 1 Warnings: 0 Informations: 0	Control Number: 0001 Transaction ID: 837				

3	ST*837*0001*005010X224A2
4	BHT*0019*00*1234567*20190423*0626*CH
5	NM1*41*2*SUBMITTER NAME*****46*P0001234
6	PER*IC*EDI OPERATIONS*TE*8001244567*EX*489*EM*PRODUCTIONSUPPORT@SUBMITTER NAME.COM
7	NM1*40*2*BCBSLA*****46*BCBSLA001

8	HL*1**20*1
9	NM1*85*2*PROVIDER NAME****XX*1245467890
10	N3*2629 STREET NAME
11	N4*CITY*STATE*ZIP
12	REF*EI*987654321

#	Error ID	Error Message	SNIP Type	Severity	Guidelir	ne Properties
		Business Message: Billing Provider Specialty Information is required.			ID: IID:	PRV 828
1	0x3938B31	Segment PRV (Billing Provider Specialty Information) is missing. It is required when loops 2310B and 2310D are not used in at least one		Normal	Name:	Billing Provider Specialty Information
		claim. This segment was expected after: Segment Count: 100			Standard Option:	Optional
					User Option:	Used
		Character: 2441			Max Use:	1

Guideline file:
D:\Edifecs\XEngine\config\BCBSLA\guidelines\BCBSLA_5010_837I_X224A2.ecs

Errors at Transaction level: Errors: 0 Warnings: 2 Informations: 0	Control Number: 0004	Transaction ID: 837
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NOTE: SNIP Type indicates the validation level in which the issue was detected. <u>Severity</u> <u>Warning</u> or <u>Informationals</u> indicates accepted. Do not resubmit.

ST*837*0004*005010X224A2

BHT*0019*00*84174*20190501*090930*CH

NM1*41*2*SUB NAME****46*P1234567

PER*IC*EDI Operations*TE*8774947633*EM*PRODUCTION@SUBMITTER NAME.COM

NM1*40*2*LOUISIANA BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD****46*BCBSLA001

HL*1**20*1

PRV*BI*PXC*261QE0700X

NM1*85*2*PROVIDER NAME HERE****XX*1234567890

N3*104 STREET NAME

N4*CITY*ST* 712330000

HL*51**20*1

PRV*BI*PXC*208D00000X

NM1*85*2*PROVIDER NAME HERE****XX*123456789

N3*123 STREET NAME HERE

N4*CITY*LA*704030946

REF*EI*272765802

PER*IC*CONTACT HERE

BRESCHER*TE*1234567890*FX*1234567890*EM*EMAILADDRESS.COM

NM1*87*2

NOTE: SNIP Type indicates the validation level in which the issue was detected. Severity Normal indicates Rejection. <u>Must correct and resubmit</u>.

N3*ADDR

N4*CITY*ST*ZIP

HL*52*51*22*0

SBR*P*18*87252*****BL

NM1*IL*1*PAT LST NAME*MEM FIRST NM*R***MI*XUP123456789

N3*PAT ADDRESS

N4*CITY*LA*70454

DMG*D8*19690211*M

NM1*PR*2*BC -LOUISIANA****PI*53120

CLM*3HV3JP4-10030060001B*352***13<A<1**A*Y*Y

DTP*434*RD8*20190322-20190322

CL1*3*1*01

REF*D9*886479718

REF*EA*007211

HI*BK<73008

HI*PR<73008

HI*BH<11<D8<20190322

HI*BE<80<<<1

NM1*71*1*OPER PHY LSTNM*OP PHY FIRST NM

SNIP Type	Severity	Guideline Properties	
4 - Situational	Normal	ID: IID: Name: Qualifier Standard Option: User Option: Max Use: Min Length: Max Length: Type:	66 17080 ID Code Relational Used 1 1 2 Identifier
			4 - Situational Normal ID: IID: Name: Qualifier Standard Option: User Option: Max Use: Min Length: Max Length:

BCBSLA Business Rule Validation

All claims submitted are validated against a comprehensive set of BCBSLA business rules. The AcceptedNot Accepted Report is provided to reflect all claims that passed HIPAA validation (failures are provided on the BCCLREDI report) and were subjected to our BCBSLA business rules. Claims that pass the BCBSLA business rules are listed on the Accepted Report and claims that fail the BCBSLA business rules, appear on the Not Accepted Report.

Note: The warning section of this report is not being used at this time.

- Claims listed on the Accepted Report have moved into the BCBSLA claims processing system and require no further action
- Claims listed on the Not Accepted Report contain errors and require correction and resubmission

For transactions received Monday through Friday (non-holiday) by 3 p.m., the Accepted/Not Accepted Report will normally be available by 8 p.m. the same business day. For transactions received after 3 p.m., the report will be available the following business day by 8 p.m.

Sample Accepted Report

No action is needed on the claims appearing on the Accepted Report.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Louisiana							
				837 Accepted	/ Not A	ccepted / Warning Report	
					Dent	al Claims Report	
SUBMITTER N	UMBER: P0001234		SUBMITT	ER: SENDER NAM	e here		
BC REG# 720	00000000 NPI#1234567	890	PROVIDE	R: PROVIDER NA	ME HERE		
BC ID# 1234	15						
RECEIVE DAT	TE: 03-26-19		PROCES	SING DATE: 03-	26-19		
837D ACCEPT	TED REPORT						
PAGE 2983							
PATIENT	PATIENT	PATIENT BC CONTR	\ACT	FROM THRU	CLAIM	CH TRACKING	
ACCOUNT NUM	LAST NM	FIRST NM NUME	BER	DATE DATE	AMOUNT	NUMBER	
12345 PATIE	ENT LAST NAME PATIEN	T FIRST NAME XUH	23456789	032519 032519	145.00	01234567890	
PROVIDER BO	ID# 12345 837D SUM	MARY:					
837D TOTAL	CLAIMS ACCEPTED: 1	CLAIMS FOR \$145.0	90				
837D TOTAL	CLAIMS NOT ACCEPTED	: 0 CLAIMS FOR \$0).00				
837D TOTAL	CLAIMS: 1 CLAIMS FO	R \$145.00					

Sample Not Accepted Report

Not accepted claims must be corrected and resubmitted.

				Blue	Cross and	H Blue Shield of	Louisiana
				837 Accepted	/ Not Acc	epted / Warning	g Report
					Dental	Claims Report	
SUBMITTER N	IUMBER: P0001234		SUBMITT	ER: SENDER NAM	1E HERE		
			PROVIDE	R: PROVIDER NA	WE HERE		
BC ID# 1234	15						
RECEIVE DAT	E: 03-26-19		PROCES	SING DATE: 03-	-26-19		
837D NOT AC	CEPTED REPORT						
PAGE 2983							
PATIENT	PATIENT	PATIENT BC CO	NTRACT	FROM THRU	CLAIM	ERROR	ERROR DATA
ACCOUNT NUM	LAST NM	FIRST NM N	IUMBER	DATE DATE	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	
12345 PATIE	ENT LAST NAME PATIEN	T FIRST NAME X	UH123456789	032519 032519	9 145.00	UCD MST PROC T	HEN FILE W BCBSLA
PROVIDER BC	ID# 12345 837D SUM	MARY:					
837D TOTAL	CLAIMS ACCEPTED: 0	CLAIMS FOR \$0.	00				
837D TOTAL	CLAIMS NOT ACCEPTED	: 1 CLAIMS FOR	\$145.00				
837D TOTAL	CLAIMS: 1 CLAIMS FO	R \$145.00					

Not Accepted Report

The Not Accepted Report identifies claims with critical errors, which were not accepted for processing. All claims that appear on the Not Accepted Report must be corrected and retransmitted for processing.

The error description field on the report provides a verbose message indicating the critical error detected. The error data field on the report, when populated, shows the information from the claim that requires correction.

The following pages contain the error descriptions listed in alphabetic order along with the edit logic. This should provide the details needed to correct and resubmit claims found on the Not Accepted Report.

Error Message	Description			
ANES1ST ANES1STP	Anesthesia procedure codes for subsequent 15-minute increments cannot be submitted without the initial anesthesia procedure codes for the first 15 minutes with the same date of service			
BILL NPI NOT IN BCSYS FAX TO 225_297_2750	Billing provider NPI is not set up in the BCBSLA system.			
BILL NPI TAXID COMBO NOT SETUP FAX INFO	Billing provider NPI and Tax ID on claim are not set up in the BCBSLA system.			
BILLING NPI MATCHES MULTI PROVIDER RECORDS	Using information submitted, we are unable to locate a single BCBSLA provider ID number to apply on this claim. Please resubmit using the G2 qualifier along with the appropriate assigned BCBSLA provider ID.			
CDT QUAD REQUIRES VALID TOOTH NUMBER	 For quadrant, UR or 10, tooth codes must be a value of 1-8 For quadrant, UL or 20, tooth codes must be a value of 9-16 For quadrant, LL or 30, tooth codes must be a value of 17-24 For quadrant, LR or 40, tooth codes must be a value of 25-32 			
CDT VS SURFACE CODE CONFLICT	 CDT requires surface level equal to B, D, F, I, L, M, or O Both surface codes I and O cannot be present on this CDT code Both surface codes B and F cannot be present on this CDT code If the surface number is: Cannot have more than 1 surface code Must be 2 surface codes present Must be 3 surface codes present Must be at least 3 surface codes present Must be at least 4 surface codes present 			

Not Accepted Error Message Descriptions

Error Message	Description			
DENTAL ANESTHESIA COMBINATION	The anesthesia code on the claim cannot be combined with the CDT codes used for the same date of service			
REND NPI NOT IN BCSYS FAXTO 225_297_2750	Rendering provider NPI is not loaded in the BCBSLA system.			
INV CDT TOOTH COMBO OR MULTI TOOTH NUM	 Tooth number must be present Cannot have more than one tooth code present. Tooth type requires specific tooth code be present: 			
	Tooth Code must be one of the followingBA-T, AS, BS, CS, DS, ES, FS, GS, HS, IS, JS, KS. LS, MS, NS, OS, PS, QS, RS, SS, TS, 1-32 or 51-82			
	D A-T, AS, BS, CS, DS, ES, FS, GS, HS, IS, JS, KS. LS, MS, NS, OS, PS, QS, RS, SS or TS			
	P 1-32 or 51-82			
INV OR BLANK PERF PROVIDER NUM	The performing provider number is invalid or this provider was not active for the begin and end dates of service. The performing provider number is not on file at BCBSLA.			
INVALID ARCH OR TOOTH NUMBER FOR CDT CODE	 The CDT code requires an arch and tooth number Arch value must be UA, LA 01 or 02 If arch value is UA, tooth codes must be in the range of 1-16 (permanent teeth) or A-J (upper arch deciduous teeth) If arch value is LA, tooth codes must be in the range of 17-32 (permanent teeth) or K-T (lower arch deciduous teeth) Adult tooth codes must be numeric 			
INVALID CONTRACT NUMBER	6. Children tooth codes must be alphabeticThe patient's member ID is invalid.			
INVALID FROM DATE OF SERVICE	The from date of service cannot be greater than the current date and must be in a valid format			
INVALID PLACE OF SERVICE	The place of service is not on the list of acceptable service codes for BCBSLA			
INVALID POS CPT4 COMBINATION	The place of service must be compatible with the CPT code			

Error Message	Description			
INVALID CDT PROCEDURE CODE FOR DATE OF SERVICE	The procedure code is not present, invalid or invalid for the service date on claim			
INVALID PROVIDER TYPE	Provider must be dental to submit CDT codes			
INVALID QUADRANT VALUE	 Quadrant value must be LL, LR, UL, UR, 10, 20, 30 or 40 Only one quadrant can be present If quadrant not present, tooth number must be present 			
INVALID TOTAL CHARGE	 Total charge must be present Total charge must equal the sum of all service line charges 			
ITS DENTAL * SEND TO HOME PLAN	Out of Area dental claims must be filed to the home plan which is indicated on the ID card			
PROCEDURE CODE NOT VALID FOR DENTAL CLAIMS	CDT code must be a valid code			
REND NPI MATCHES MULTI PROVIDER RECORDS	Using information submitted, we were unable to locate a single BCBSLA provider ID number to apply on claim. Please submit using the G2 qualifier along with the appropriate assigned BCBSLA provider ID.			
UCD MST PROC THEN FILE W BCBSLA	The claim must be filed with United Concordia Dental prior to filing with BCBSLA			

Electronic Trading Partner Agreement

In order to exchange electronic transactions with BCBSLA, we require the submission of our Electronic Trading Partner Agreement, which can be found along with the detailed enrollment instructions on our Provider Page at <u>www.BCBSLA.com/providers</u> >Electronic Services >Clearinghouse Services.

Transaction Specific: Loop and Data Element Specifications

Loop	Reference Descripti on	Field Name	Required Value	BCBSLA Specification
	BHT03	Originator Application Transaction Identifier		Unique number used to identify transactions. It is suggested that the number used in BHT03 be incremented by one digit sequentially for every file sent including resubmissions. BCBSLA uses this identifier to detect duplicate file submissions. Files will reject as a duplicate if the number in the BHT03 has been previously submitted.
1000A	NM109	Submitter Identifier		Enter the submitter's 8-position numeric code assigned by BCBSLA which identifies your organization
1000B	NM109	Receiver ID	BCBSLA001	Assigned by BCBSLA
2010AA	NM108	NPI Qualifier	XX	Use XX qualifier to indicate National Provider Identifier (NPI) follows
2010AA	NM109	Billing Prov NPI	NPI#	Enter the National Provider Identifier (NPI) for the billing/pay provider
2010AA	REF01	Ref ID	EI	Use billing/pay provider's Tax ID
2010AA	REF02	Billing Provider Tax ID Number		Enter the billing/pay provider's 9-digit Tax ID
2000B	SBR09	Claim Filing Indicator	BL	Must be BL
2010BA	NM108	Mem ID Qualifier	MI	Use member ID number
2010BB	NM108	Payer Qualifier	PI	Use payer identification code
2010BB	NM109	Payer Identifier	53120	Enter 53120 to reflect the BCBSLA NAIC number
2010BB	REF01	Reference Identification Qualifier	G2	Use G2 qualifier to indicate the provider commercial/BCBSLA number follows
2010BB	REF02	Billing Provider Secondary Identifier		When present, must be the 5- or 10-digit BCBSLA identification number assigned for the service being submitted
2300	CLM01	Patient Control Number		Patient Control Number – A maximum of 20 positions will be stored and returned by BCBSLA on the 835 ERA. A maximum of 15 positions will be returned on the paper payment register.

Loop	Reference Descripti on	Field Name	Required Value	BCBSLA Specification
2310B	NM108	Identification Code Qualifier	XX	Use XX qualifier to indicate National Provider Identifier (NPI) follows
2310B	NM109	Rendering Provider ID	NPI	Must be the rendering provider National Provider Identifier (NPI) when different from billing provider
2310B	REF01	Reference Identification Qualifier	G2	Use G2 qualifier to indicate the rendering provider commercial (BCBSLA) provider identification number follows
2310B	REF02	Billing Provider Secondary Identifier		When present, must be the 5- or 10-digit BCBSLA provider identification number assigned to the provider rendering services
2320	SBR01- 09	Other Subscriber Information	A, P S & T	BCBSLA will only use the first 4 payers
2400	SV301-1	Product or Service ID Qualifier	AD	American Dental Association Codes - CDT = current dental terminology
2420A	NM108	Identification Code Qualifier	XX	National Provider Identifier (NPI)
2420A	NM109	Rendering Provider ID	NPI	National Provider Identifier (NPI)
2420A	REF01	Reference Identification Qualifier	G2	Use G2 qualifier to indicate the providers commercial (BCBSLA) provider identification number follows
2420A	REF02	Billing Provider Secondary Identifier		When present, must be the 5- or 10-digit BCBSLA provider identification number assigned for the service being submitted

Appendices

Appendix I

Implementation Checklist

- Technical and business staff should review this guide
- Sign and return Electronic Trading Partner Agreement
- Establish connectivity
- Conduct testing
- Request move to production
- Exchange transactions

Appendix II

Business Scenarios

There are two primary methods for submitting transactions to BCBSLA.

- Direct Transactions will be sent from your location directly to BCBSLA viayour medical practice software. In this arrangement an Electronic Trading Partner Agreement between BCBSLA and your location is required.
- Indirectly Transactions will be sent/picked up from your location by a third-party clearinghouse who will exchange with BCBSLA on your behalf. In this arrangement, the Electronic Trading Partner Agreement is executed between BCBSLA and the clearinghouse.

Summary of Changes

Below is a summary of changes to the *837 Dental Claims Standard Companion Guide*. Minor revisions not detailed in the summary include modifications to the text for clarity and uniformity, grammatical edits and updates to web links referenced in the document.

September 2019

<u>Preface</u>

• Added new section from Introduction and Scope information

Contact Information

• Added new section

Revision History

• Removed section and replaced with Summary of Changes

General Information

- Changed section name from Introduction to General Information
- Moved Introduction and Scope information to Preface
- Updated guide online availability information

Connectivity with Payer/Communications

- Updated Screenshots for Configuring FTPS (Implicit port 990)
- Removed references to Configuring FTPS (Explicit port 10021) and Configuring SFTP

Payer Specific Business Rules

- Removed the BCBSLA Contract and Prefixes section
- Removed the ICD9 and ICD10 Claims Filing Guidelines

Acknowledgements, Error Codes and/or Reports

• Will complete once these are updated by EDI

Transaction Specific: Loop and Data Element Specifications

• Removed TR3 Page number references from table

