**HMHS Secure Transport - Updates to HIPAA responses.**

**Publication Date:**

**Notice**: Effective **March 19, 2021**, the purge criteria of processed files will be changing on the HM Health Solutions (HMHS) Secure Transport servers. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) response reports will be purged after eight days upon being posted to the folder. Prior to this change, 999 Implementation Acknowledgments have been kept for a 30 day duration, and 277CA and 835 reports were previously purged at eight days.

**Audience**: All HIPAA Trading Partners.

**Background**: These changes are being implemented in order to standardize report availability and provide a streamlined and stable server environment. Improvements in performance are expected as a result.

**Action Required**: If you are a customer who utilizes a third-party vendor, please discuss these changes with your Software Vendor or Clearinghouse to ensure readiness by the March 19 date. Direct submitters are encouraged to retrieve response reports within the eight day duration.

**Questions?** If you have questions on HIPAA transactions or the modified retention period, please contact EDI Operations at 1-800-992-0246.