



### Encounter Data FAQ

1. Will pharmacy be submitted by the plan or directly by the PBM? Currently the MLTC program does not include pharmacy. **Encounter can be submitted by the plan or the PBM but the plan is ultimately responsible for the submission.**
2. Medicare does not cover dental. Will the FIDA program include dental? **The FIDA Program does include dental. Medicare does not cover routine dental examinations/procedures. Medicare will pay for dental services that are an integral part either of a covered procedure (e.g., reconstruction of the jaw following accidental injury), or for extractions done in preparation for radiation treatment for neoplastic diseases involving the jaw. Medicare will also make payment for oral examinations, but not treatment, preceding kidney transplantation or heart valve replacement, under certain circumstances. Such examination would be covered under Part A if performed by a dentist on the hospital's staff or under Part B if performed by a physician.**
3. Medicare does not cover vision. Will the FIDA program include vision? **FIDA Program does include vision. Medicare Part B covers some preventive and diagnostic eye exams. Medicare may cover some vision costs if they are associated with other covered expenses (that is, eye problems that result from an illness or injury could be covered). Please refer to the attached PDF for limited Medicare coverage: [http://www.cms.gov/outreach-and-education/medicare-learning-network-mln/mlnproducts/downloads/visionservices\\_factsheet\\_icn907165.pdf](http://www.cms.gov/outreach-and-education/medicare-learning-network-mln/mlnproducts/downloads/visionservices_factsheet_icn907165.pdf)**
4. Any estimate of when the companion guides (MMCOR) will be available. **The companion guide will not be updated at this time. Plans should be aware that the All Payers Database (APD) has weekly calls on Monday's at 2 pm on the changes to PACDR. APD contact is Carley Marbot @ [nysapd@health.ny.gov](mailto:nysapd@health.ny.gov)**
5. Any estimate of when the conversion from MEDSIII to the HIPAA format? **Later in 2015, unsure if there is a specific date yet.**
6. For the FIDA submissions in MEDS III Format, in a situation in which a third party submitter is involved, what does NYSDOH expect to see in the MEDS III encounter file Header Record for the **Plan Identification Number** data element? **DOH expects to see the health organization's MMIS number.**
7. What does NYSDOH expect to see in the Header Record for the **Provider Transmission Supplier Number (TSN)** a unique number assigned to the health organization submitting encounter records and which must be a valid TSN/Plan Id combination? **Plans should refer to eMedNY @ 1-800-343-9000.**



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8. What does NYSDOH expect to see in the Header Record for the **Submitter Name and Address**? **DOH expects to see the name & address of the submitting health organization (the FIDA plan).**