

## XXXXXXXX Testing Overview

The following summarizes our procedures and expectations related to **Encounters transaction testing with our trading partners**. If you have any questions, comments or suggestions please let us know.

### **Schedule:**

**Trading Partner** Testing with all Contractors: **Beginning Date and running through End.**

### **Approach:**

- All test files will be in a dedicated test environment; refreshed with production Recipient, Provider and Reference data as of 1/3/2019.
- Additional refreshes from production may occur each quarter thereafter **(Dates)** and Contractors will be pre-notified before these refreshes occur.
- AHCCCS will run according to a published testing schedule.
- Encounter test files must be received by no later than 5:00 am on Thursdays.
- Any file not received in time to process will be included in the following week's processing.
- Encounter processing will be run weekly on Thursday evening.
- Test Cycles in UAT are run more frequently than in Production; ex. Encounter Cycle run weekly in UAT vs. twice monthly in Production.
- Refer to the Encounter Testing Calendar for more information.
- All Encounter test files will be validated through the AHCCCS Validator prior to acceptance by AHCCCS.
- AHCCCS will attempt to process files as consistent with production procedures as permitted within the constraints of the dedicated test environment.
- Encounter test files can have any file name under 30 characters in length with no spaces in the file name and placed in directory XXX/TEST/EDI-IN where XXX is your folder name (file names cannot end in .TMP).
- Encounter Acknowledgement test files will be named as follows and will be placed in directory XXX/TEST/EDI-OUT:  
**AZEF837\_HPxxxxxx\_ccyymmddhhmmssms\_filename.ZZZ**
  - **F** – form type – P (professional), I (institutional), D (dental)
  - **xxxxxx** - 6-digit AHCCCS Health Plan ID (first 6 bytes of the GS02)
  - **ccyymmdd** - process date
  - **hhmmssms** - process time
  - **filename** - original 837 filename as submitted by the trading partner
  - **ZZZ** - 277, 999, 824, or TA1 (TA1 will only be created if ISA14 is set '1')
- All submitted test files will be validated, and if successful, processed through all editing and/or auditing processes on a weekly basis.
- Submitters will be able to submit Encounters for any valid AHCCCS recipient, provider and service combinations as of the latest refresh; therefore Encounters may be production examples or test data. Be aware that test data submitted during a quarter will be lost when the next refresh is completed so plan testing cycles accordingly. (see #1)

- Although the effective dates for XXXX processing in production will be outpatient dates of service or inpatient dates of discharge 10/1/2014, to facilitate testing the AHCCCS test environment will assume a 10/1/2013 effective date.

**Testing Standards/Expectations:**

- Trading Partners should validate files for 5010 compliance using the Community Manager application. If you do not currently have a community manager account send a request via email to: [EDICustomerSupport@azahcccs.gov](mailto:EDICustomerSupport@azahcccs.gov).
- Recommended # of test files that a trading partner must successfully exchange to “pass” testing (see column 3 below) are the minimum. Trading Partners may elect to and are encouraged to exchange as many test files as desired.

<b>Testing Expectations Transaction</b>	<b># of Exchanges Recommended</b>	<b># of Requests (Transactions)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 837/NCPDP Encounters</li> </ul>	2 per form type Ensure that files are accepted and can be processed appropriately from end to end	Minimum of 25; Maximum of 100 per file At least one exchange should include Replacements/Voids
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 277</li> </ul>	With Each Encounter cycle Ensure that files are accepted and can be processed appropriately from end to end	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 834</li> </ul>	2 monthly 6 Daily Ensure that files are accepted and can be processed appropriately from end to end.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 820</li> </ul>	6 Daily Ensure that files are accepted and can be processed appropriately from end to end	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TPL</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>	1 Minimally Ensure that files are accepted and can be processed appropriately from end to end	

**Reporting Testing Problems & Questions:**

- All problem reports/issues/questions related to testing other than the Community Manager (CM) application should be submitted to us via email at: [Lori.Petre@azahcccs.gov](mailto:Lori.Petre@azahcccs.gov) or [Julie.Nieder@azahcccs.gov](mailto:Julie.Nieder@azahcccs.gov) . CM problems can be reported using the CM portal ‘ask AHCCCS’ button within the application.
- For problem reporting, please include the pertinent test data and as much detail of the issue as possible in your email. Testing related issues will be tracked and forwarded to the appropriate parties for review and response. **\*Do not include PHI data with your issue/question since the testing is**

**occurring with Production data and all PHI must be encrypted. If PHI data is needed to resolve the issue/question than we will contact you to arrange to have it sent thru an encrypted method.**