

UGS HIPAA STATUS

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Claims - ANSI 837

- Michigan providers are at **97.8%** for the month of July 2004
- Providers nationwide are in the 90% range and CMS is looking toward ending the contingency
- Non-HIPAA format Medicare claims wait an extra two weeks to pay as an incentive to submitters to make the change

Remits - ANSI 835

- Only a third of the UGS Remit receivers have converted to HIPAA for the 835
- CMS is pushing the contractors to push the ERA receivers. CMS wants as few problems as possible when they pull the contingency.
- Now is a good time to convert and still get some personal attention. If the remaining two thirds of receivers, are forced to cutover, all at the same time, there is no way that we would be able to support them in a timely manner.