

Session II: Claim Attachment Standards and Operating Rules: Current Developments and Future Directions

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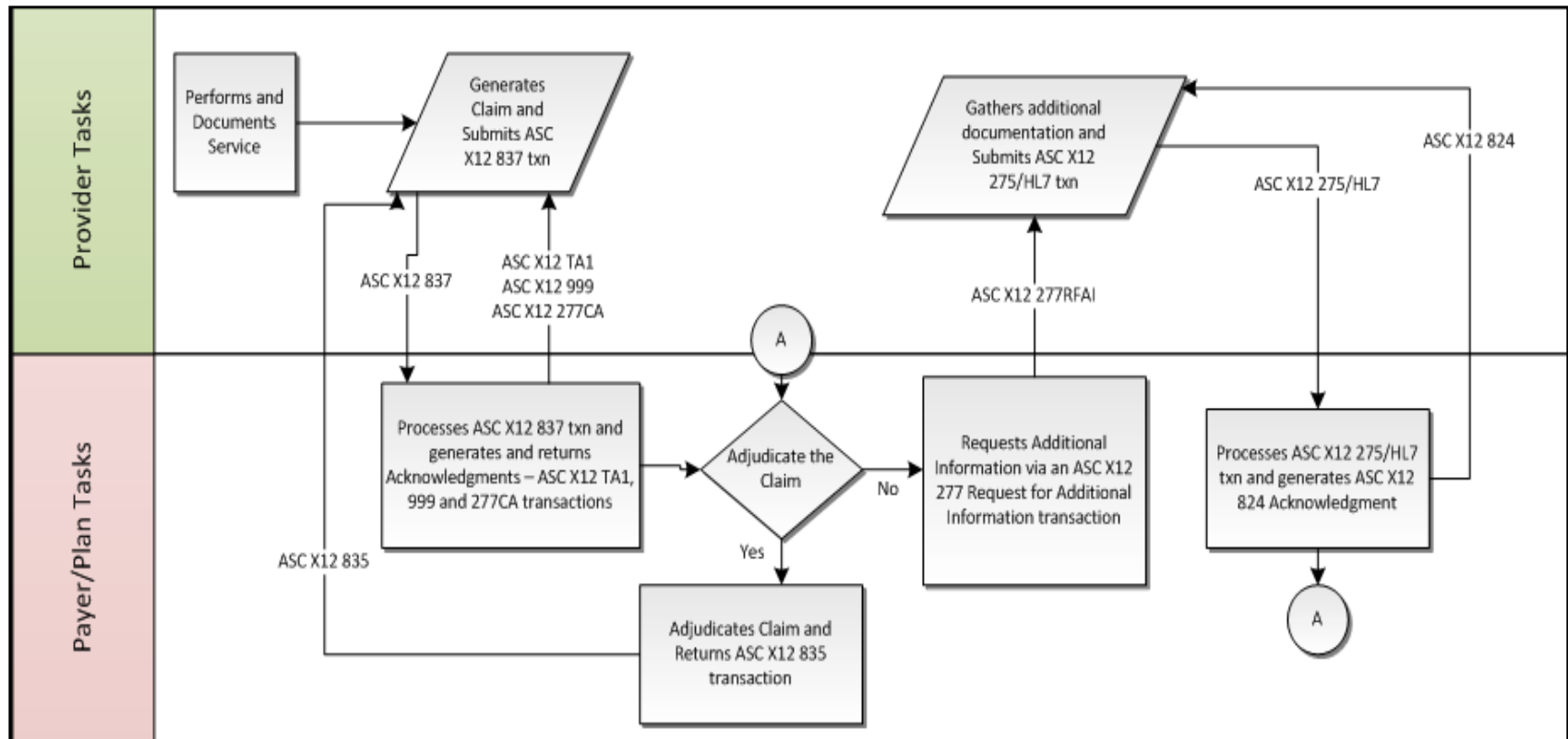
A Brief History

- Attachment Definition: Attachment is supplemental health documentation needed to support a specific event (ex. healthcare claim, authorization, referral, etc.), sent electronically using standardized format and content.
- Since 1996, ASC X12 and HL7 International have been working together to develop attachments
 - Significant work has occurred to define attachments, develop standards, and to identify priority areas
- Pilots were conducted to test the implementation of the standards and to measure ROI

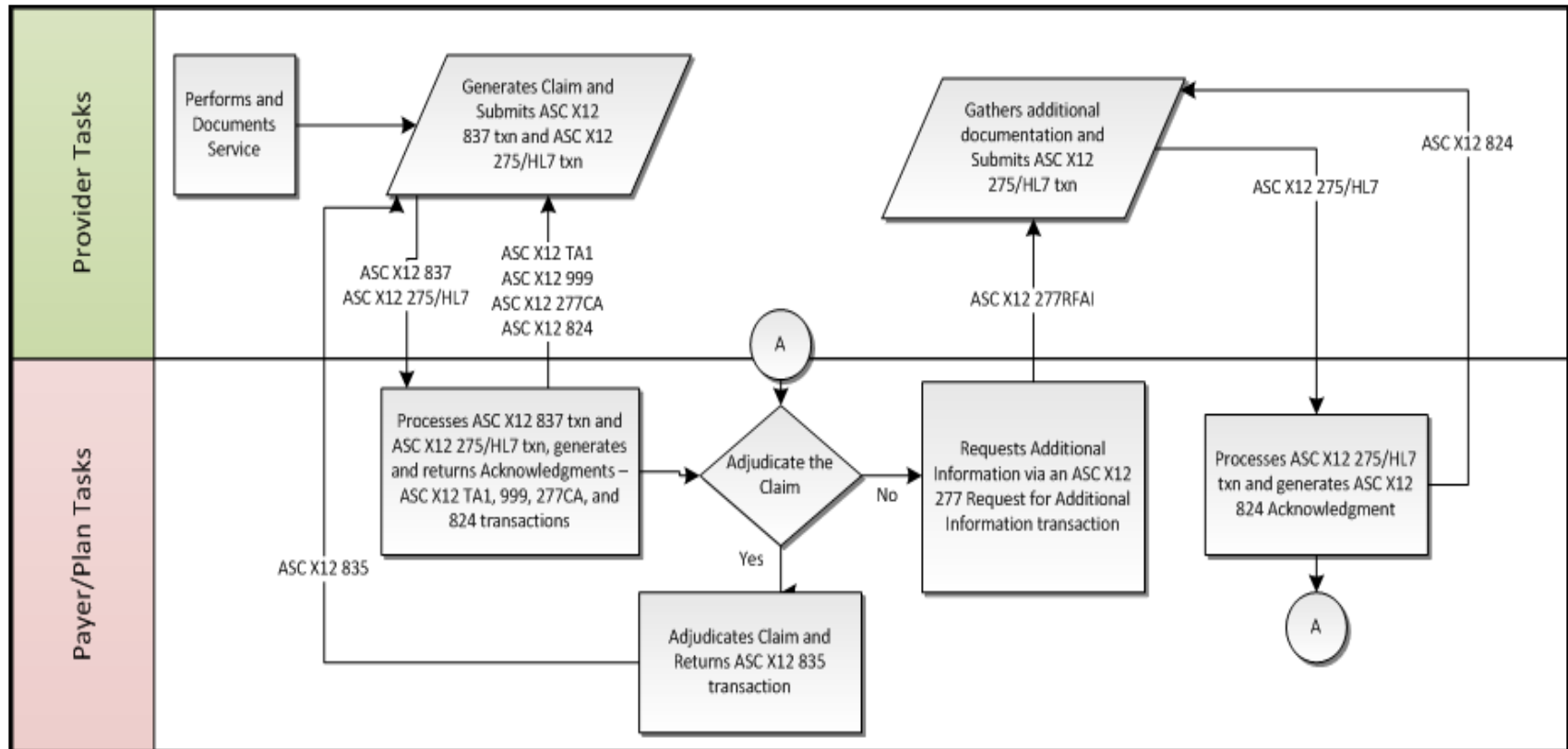
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- NPRM was published in September 2005
- Standards have been updated
- ACA requirement
 - Final regulation on adoption of claim attachment standards, implementation specifications and operating rules by 1/1/2014
 - Industry compliance with new national mandated standards by 1/1/2016

Transaction Business Flow – Solicited Model



Transaction Business Flow – Unsolicited Model



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Q & A

Where do you see the standards for attachments going? How are these standards being harmonized with the standards developed/adopted for exchange of clinical information under the Meaningful Use program?

- Evolve the ASC X12 standards as business requirements are brought forward
- Can support any type of attachment
- Provider to Payer ASC X12 275 exchange allows the association of the claim to the attachment

Q & A

Are all the 'priority' areas identified by provider and payers being addressed in the development of the standards? Which areas might not be addressed? What other gaps have been identified? How can those gaps be addressed?

- ASC X12 275 transaction has been modified to support other attachment types besides HL7

Q & A

What is the current status of common business rules (operating rules) for the requirement/submission of attachments in the industry? What are the areas where national standard business rules/operating rules for requiring /submitting attachments would be most beneficial?

Areas:

- Defining and publishing attachment requirements to leverage the unsolicited business flow
- Address overlapping data elements
- Defines rules/limitations around HL7 data content
- Timeliness of submission of attachment

One of the responsibilities of the Committee is to identify an authoring entity for national standard operating rules for claim attachments; would you be pursuing designation as an authoring entity?

Yes, in collaboration with HL7 International

- ASC X12 and HL7 International have co-developed this standard by collaborating since 1996
 - Both SDO's have also jointly collaborated on many projects since that time; demonstrating a clear ability to work together toward a common outcome that satisfies industry stakeholder needs
 - Project plans, processes, and liaisons to work together are already in place
- Fulfill criteria of operating rules entity established in HR3590