

Transparency in Coverage & Machine-Readable Files Update

The [Transparency in Coverage Final Rules](#) (the "TiC Final Rules") require non-grandfathered group health plans and health plan providers offering coverage to non-grandfathered groups and individual markets to disclose machine-readable files (MRFs) for:

- In-network provider rates for covered items and services; and
- Out-of-network allowed amounts and billed charges for covered items and services.

Enforcement for the MRFs begins July 1st, 2022.

The DOL issued an update in [FAQ 49](#) which has postponed the Rx file requirement until further notice.

As <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-11-23/pdf/2021-25183.pdf> states, the Departments will not initiate enforcement action against a plan or issuer that does not report the required information by the first statutory deadline for reporting on December 27, 2021 or the second statutory deadline for reporting on June 1, 2022, and that instead submits the section 204 data submissions for the 2020 and 2021 reference years by December 27, 2022.

What you need to know:

- Healthgram will help all clients comply with this legislation by providing access to the required Machine-Readable Files by the 7/1/2022 enforcement date
- Healthgram is also working on the Rx requirements in anticipation of the 12/27/2022 deadline
- Healthgram will provide a website link (from our portals and/or main website) that will give clients and consultants access to a webpage where the necessary file(s) are displayed and/or a link directly to the network's website to obtain the rate information
- As the 7/1/2022 enforcement date approaches, Healthgram will inform all clients and consultants on how to go about accessing the MRFs for their network(s)

For more information on the Transparency in Coverage legislation, visit:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/11/12/2020-24591/transparency-in-coverage>

If you have any questions, please contact your Healthgram Account Manager.