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1 Introduction

In 1996, Congress passed into law the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). This Act directs the federal government to adopt national electronic standards for automated transfer of certain health care data between health care payers, plans, and providers. Now that these standards are in place, the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) will submit electronic 270 Health Care Benefits Eligibility Inquiries to payers and receive 271 Health Care Benefits Eligibility Responses from the payers.

1.1 Electronic Insurance Verification (eIV) Process Flow

The VistA users enter patient insurance information through a variety of processes:

- Insurance information may be entered manually during the Registration process
- It may be entered when the patient's insurance card is read by the insurance card reader
- A user may enter patient's insurance information directly into the Patient file using the Patient Insurance Info View/Edit option

Regardless of how the patient's insurance information gets entered into VistA, it must be verified with the insurance company and the verification must be periodically updated. The goal of the elV process is to automate as much of the verification process as possible to ensure that the insurance information, used to submit claims for services rendered to the patient, is accurate and up-to-date. This in turn, increases the likelihood of timely reimbursement and increased revenue.

The elV interface is bi-directional. The HIPAA Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry transaction is referred to as the 270 and the Response is referred to as the 271. The 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry originates at a VAMC VistA system and is transmitted as a Health Level Seven (HL7) message to the Eligibility Communicator at the Financial Services Center (FSC) in Austin, TX. At FSC, the HL7 message is translated into a HIPAA compliant 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Inquiry message and sent to one of the VA's clearinghouses. From the clearinghouse, the 270 message is transmitted to the designated payer.

The 271 Health Care Eligibility Benefit Response originates at the payer and is sent to FSC through the clearinghouse. FSC translates the response back into an HL7 message and transmits it to the originating VAMC VistA system.



Figure 1. elV Process Flow

1.2 Intended Audience

The information in this guide is primarily intended for those users who create, update, accept and reject insurance buffer entries or otherwise maintain patients' insurance data using VistA Integrated Billing (IB) software.

1.3 The Role of the Insurance Verification Interface

The goal of the electronic insurance verification software is to replace much of the telephone work performed by insurance personnel to verify patients' health care insurance.

Electronic insurance inquiries can be made to any electronically active payer.

Automating the insurance verification process should result in an increase in the accuracy and timeliness of patient insurance information in VistA. These improvements will, in turn, reduce the number of rejected third-party claims for services rendered to the Veteran by the Veteran's Administration (VA).

VistA performs both a Buffer Extract and an Appointment Extract. For the Appointment Extract; VistA prepares HL7 inquiries during the night in response to appointment events. For the Buffer Extract, VistA immediately prepares HL7 inquiries in response to registration and check in events. The HL7 inquiries are transmitted to the Eligibility Communicator at the FSC. The messages are translated into 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiry messages. They are then sent to the VA's clearinghouses who then distribute them to the correct insurance companies. The 271 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Responses are returned from the payer through the clearinghouses to FSC for translation into an HL7 format and then transmitted to the originating VistA system. There the information is either placed into the insurance buffer for the insurance clerk to review and process to the patient's insurance file or used to automatically update the patient's insurance file.

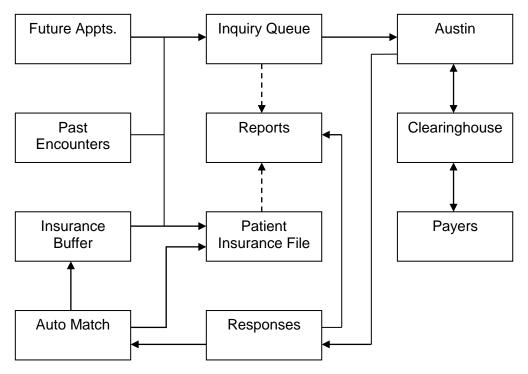


Figure 2. Flowchart of elV Processes

Automatic updates are made only when a response meets pre-determined criteria. The criteria vary slightly depending upon the situation (e.g. Non-Medicare insurance when the Patient is the Insurance Subscriber will be different from Non-Medicare insurance when the Patient is a dependent of the Insurance Subscriber). Below is an example of some of the criteria:

- Automatic Update Setting = Yes; and
- 2. Subscriber ID (VistA) = Subscriber ID (271 Response); and
- 3. Subscriber DOB (VistA) = Subscriber DOB (271 Response); and
- 4. Subscriber's Name (VistA) = Subscriber Name (271 Response) and
- 5. Group Number (VistA) = Group Number (271 Response),

Note: The **Automatic Update Setting** is also referred to as the **Trusted Payer Flag**.

1.4 National Insurance Payers

In order for the various VistA sites to be able to request eligibility information from the various payers, a national VA insurance payer list has been established. The national payer list provides a standard identification system for all payers that are participating in this process. Each VistA site has the ability to link the insurance companies in their own database to the appropriate payer in the national payer list. This standardizes the identification of the payer to which each inquiry will be directed.

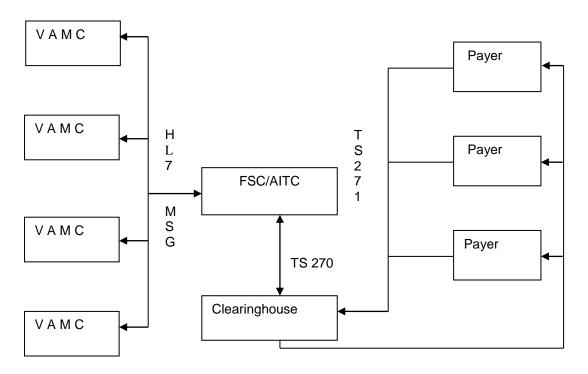


Figure 3. Flowchart of Inquiries from VistA to Payers and Responses from Payers to VistA

2 SITE PARAMETERS

Each VistA site can use the **eIV parameters** to configure some aspects of the eIV software in order to meet a site's unique requirements.

General Parameter (Editable)	Definition
Medicare Payer	Medicare entry from the Payer file (#365.12). It is used to identify the Medicare payer for the insurance buffer lists and any other applications that need to know which payer is the Medicare WNR payer.
HMS Directory	The name of the directory where Extract/Result files are stored as needed by HMS Data Extractor.
EII Active	Enable/activate ell Software? YES/NO
SSVI Enabled	SSVI Enabled? YES/NO
Days SSVI Retained	Number of days to retain SSVI data

General Parameter (Non-Editable)	Definition
Freshness Days	How frequently should insurance information be re-verified? 7–180 Days
HL7 Maximum Number	Allows the restriction of the daily number of HL7 messages created and sent during the HL7 process for eIV during the eIV Nightly Process. 1–99999 Messages
Timeout Days	Number of days that will define a communication timeout. 1–7 Days
Retry Flag	Should an eIV Inquiry retransmit if no response is received? YES/NO
Timeout Mailman Msg	Send a mail message for each communication timeout? YES/NO
Number of Retries	Number of times to retry an eIV transmission. 0–5 Days
Default STC	Default Service Type Code to be used on the eIV 270 transmissions.
Messages Mail Group	To which mail group should the eIV Statistical Report and other eIV messages be sent?
Master Switch Realtime	"YES" allows real time 270 transactions to be created and transmitted to the Eligibility Communicator (EC). YES/NO
Master Switch Nightly	YES/NO. "YES" allows the following to occur when the eIV Nightly Process is run: eIV extracts run and create 270 transactions, an eIV registration message is sent to the EC, eIV sends 270 transactions upon successful exchange of eIV registration message, the morning statistical report is scheduled to run at a given time (Daily Mailman Msg), the morning eIV registration message with statistics is scheduled to be created and sent to EC at a given time (Daily Mailman Msg). "NO" prevents all of the tasks listed above from occurring.
Failure Mailman MSG	Send a mailman message for communication failures? YES/NO
Daily Mailman MSG	Send the eIV Statistical Report in a mailman message each day.YES/NO
Daily MSG Time	-Send the eIV Statistical Report to the Messages Mail Group (specified

General Parameter (Non-Editable)	Definition
	above) and statistical data to FSC at the time specified (set to be sent at 7:00 a.m. (0700), local time, each day).
MBI Payer	The National Payer used for MBI transactions. This field stores a pointer to the Payer File and is set by a Table Update message from FSC.
Contact Person	Removed with IB*2.0*549. Non Editable - Who is the site's POC for eIV problems? This is the person the FSC will coordinate with if there are any problems.
Office Phone:	Removed with IB*2.0*549. Non Editable - What is the POC's phone number?
EMAIL Address	Removed with IB*2.0*549. Non Editable - What is the POC's email address?
Failure Mailman MSG	Send a mail message for communication failures? YES/NO

Batch - Buffer Extract	Definition
Active?	Not Editable – Buffer Extract will be turned on.

Batch – Appointment Extract	Definition
Active?	Not Editable – Appointment Extract will be turned on.
Selection Criteria #1	Not Editable – Appointment extracts will search for appointments scheduled for the next 10 days.

Batch - Non-verified Extract	Definition
Active?	Not Editable – Non-Verified Extract will be turned off.
Selection Criteria #1	Not Editable – Non-Verified Extract will be turned off.
Selection Criteria #2	Not Editable – Non-Verified Extract will be turned off.
MAXIMUM EXTRACT NUMBER	Not Editable – Non-Verified Extract will be turned off.

Batch – No Insurance Extract	Definition
Removed with Patch IB*2*416	

2.1 Define General Parameters

Step	Procedure
1	Access the SYST MCCR System Definition Menu.
2	Access the SITE MCCR Site Parameter Display/Edit option.
3	At the Select Action : prompt, enter IV for Ins. Verification .

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MCCR Site Parameters
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Display/Edit MCCR Site Parameters.
Only authorized persons may edit this data.
IB Site Parameters
                                     Claims Tracking Parameters
  Facility Definition
                                       General Parameters
   Mail Groups
                                        Tracking Parameters
                                       Random Sampling
   Patient Billing
   Third Party Billing
   Provider Id
   EDI Transmission
General Parameters
                                       General Parameters
   Inpatient Admission
                                       Batch Extracts Parameters
   Outpatient Visit
                                        Service Type Codes
   Prescription Refill
                       actions
IB Site Parameter
                     AB Automated Billing EX Exit
CT Claims Tracking IV Ins. Verification
Select Action: Quit//IV Ins. Verification
```

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IV Site Parameters
                         May 28, 2015@18:58:17
                                                    Page:
                                                           1 of
Only authorized persons may edit this data.
______
General Parameters (editable)
                 Medicare Payer: CMS
                  HMS Directory: USER$:[HMS]
                     EII Active: YES
                   SSVI Enabled: NO
Number of days to retain SSVI data:
General Parameters (non-editable)
        Freshness Days: 180 HL7 Maximum Number: 99999
         Timeout Days: 5
                                    Retry Flag: NO
    Timeout Mailman Msg: NO
                                    Number of Retries: 1
          Default STC: 30
                                          Mail Group: IBCNE EIV MESSAGE
 Master Switch Realtime: YES Master Switch Nightly: YES
         CMS MBI Payer: CMS MBI ONLY
Send MailMan Message if Communication Problem: YES
  Receive MailMan Message, Daily Statistical: YES at 0700
        Enter ?? for more actions
GP General Parameters EX Exit
Select Action: Next Screen//
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	rameters rized persc		y 28, 2015@19:00:08 this data.	Page:	2 of	2
Batch Ext	racts					
Extract		Selection	Maximum # to			
Name	On/Off	Criteria	Extract/Day			
Buffer	ON	n/a	99999			
Appt	ON	10	99999			
+	Enter ?? f	or more act	ions			
GP Genera	l Parameter	s EX Ex	it			
Select Act	ion: Ouit//	GP Gener	cal Parameters			
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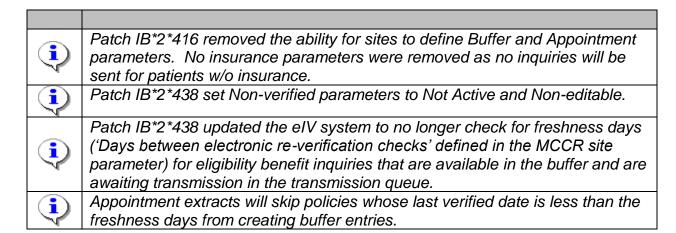
General Parameters

Medicare Payer: CMS//
HMS Directory: USER\$:[HMS]//
EII Active: NO//
SSVI Enabled: DISABLED//
Number of days to retain SSVI data: //

Step	Procedure
4	At the Select Action: prompt, enter GP for General Parameters .
5	At the Medicare Payer: prompt, enter the appropriate value.
6	At the HMS Directory: prompt, enter the directory appropriate for your site.
7	At the Ell Active: prompt, enter the appropriate value.
•	Patch IB*2*528 has added the source code, data dictionaries, options, templates etc. for System Shared Verified Insurance (SSVI). This feature should be set to Disabled . This feature will be modified and released in future projects. Instructions on how to use this newly added functionality will be issued at that time.
8	At the SSVI Enabled prompt, enter 0 or DISABLED.
9	At the Days SSVI Retained prompt, leave the amount of time to retain shared insurance information at preferably (blank); otherwise 1 .
i	The FRESHNESS DAYS prompt has been removed with patch IB*2*506. This is no longer editable and system is set to 180.
i	The DAILY MAILMAN MSG prompt has been removed as it is no longer optional.
i	The DAILY MSG TIME prompt has been removed with patch IB*2*506. The system is set to automatically send the daily message at 0700 local time.
<u>i</u>	Site can no longer turn off nor set time.
i	The MESSAGES MAILGROUP: prompt has been removed by patch IB*2*549. This field is no longer editable and is set to IBCNE EIV MESSAGE.
i	The HL7 RESPONSE PROCESSING prompt has been removed with patch IB*2*506. This field is no longer editable and the system is set to Immediate.
i	Patch IB*2*416 removed the prompt HL7 MAXIMUM NUMBER. A site can no longer limit the number of daily inquiries.
i	The CONTACT PERSON: prompt has been removed by patch IB*2*549. This value is no longer used by the system.
i	The OFFICE PHONE: prompt has been removed by patch IB*2*549. This value is no longer used by the system.
i	The EMAIL ADDRESS: prompt has been removed by patch IB*2*549.
i	The Store Service Type code entry functionality has been removed by patch IB*2*549. This field is no longer editable and is set to 30.
i	The FAILURE MAILMAN MSG: prompt has been removed by patch IB*2*549. This field is no longer editable and is set to Yes.

2.2 Define Batch Extract Parameters

Patch IB*2*438 removed the ability for the sites to define Batch Extract Parameters.



3 PAYERS

The VistA Payer file (#365.12) is a VA national file of insurance companies within each VistA system. It is automatically updated when a payer is enrolled and registered at the FSC by the eBusiness Solutions Office. It is non-editable at the facility level and the same data exists in this file at all VistA locations. However, the VistA locations do have the option to locally activate/deactivate payers.

When a 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiry is constructed, it is this payer name in the Payer file (#365.12), not the Insurance Company name, which is transmitted with the inquiry. In order for an individual insurance company to participate in the elV process, it must be linked to a payer in the Payer file. It is important to note that:

- An insurance company can be linked to only one payer.
- Many insurance companies can be linked to a single payer.
- The payer must also be active locally in order for it to be eligible for inclusion in the eIV process.

3.1 Link Insurance Company to Payers using Link Insurance Company to Payers

The Link Insurance Companies to Payers option provides a tool for identifying potential matches of active Insurance Companies with Professional and Institutional IDs that are not linked to a particular Payer. Professional and Institutional Payer Primary ID fields correspond respectively to the EDI ID NUMBER – PROF and EDI ID NUMBER – INST fields in the Insurance Company Editor.

Step	Procedure	
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.	
2	Access the PM Payer Maintenance option.	
(i)	Users must hold the IBCNE EIV MAINTENANCEsecurity key to access this	
7	option.	
3	Access the LI Link Insurance Companies to Payers option.	
	The system finds potential matches for users based on matching Payer	
(1)	Primary ID fields in the Insurance Company Editor. Please note that all	
	matches are not definitive and should be linked at the users discretion.	

The following screen of Payers who have potentially matching insurance company entries will be displayed:

Payer Maintenance	Sep 22, 2009@14:26:21	Page:	1 of	1
Payers with potential matches t	to active insurance compan	ies.		
Payer Name	# Potential	Matches		
1 IBpayer One	2			
2 IBpayer Two	1			
3 IBpayer Three	3			
4 IBpayer Four	1			
Enter ?? for more actions				
EE Expand Entry EX Exit				
Select Action: Quit//				

Step	Procedure		
4	At the Select Action: prompt, enter EE for Expand Entry .		
5	At the Select entry to Expand, by line #: (1-5): prompt, enter 2 for this		
3	example.		

Payer Expand Screen Sep 22, 2009@14:45:22 PAYER: IBpayer Two Prof. EDI#:11111 Inst. EDI#:11111	Page:	1 of	1
Insurance Company Name - Active Only Insurance Company Name Address 1 IBinsurance Two A PO BOX 5555 SCRANTON, PA 2 IBinsurance Two B PO BOX 55555 COLUMBUS OHIO		11111	
Enter ?? for more actions PL Print List EX Exit LP Link Payer Select Action: Quit//			

Step	Procedure		
6	At the Select Action: prompt, enter LP for Link Payer .		
7	At the Select 1 or more Insurance Company Entries: prompt, enter 1-2 for		
/	this example.		
8	At the OK to proceed? YES// prompt, press RETURN to accept the default of		
0	YES.		
(i)	Patch IB*2*416 provided the ability to link more than one insurance company		
4	to a payer at one time.		
€.	Users also have the option to print a list of insurance companies that may		
	match a Payer. The list can be printed to a printer or to the screen.		

```
Select 1 or more Insurance Company Entries: (1-2): 1-2

You have selected 2 insurance companies
to be linked to payer IBpayer Two.

OK to proceed? YES//

Link process is complete.
You may view/edit this relationship by using the
Insurance Company Entry/Edit option.

Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
```

To print the details, go back to **Expand Entry** and select **Print List** as detailed below.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Access the PM Payer Maintenance option.
3	Access the LI Link Insurance Companies to Payers option.
4	At the Select Action: prompt, enter EE for Expand Entry .
5	At the Select entry to Expand, by line #: (1-5): prompt, enter 2 for this
3	example.
6	At the Select Action: prompt, enter PL for Print List.
7	At the Device://Home: prompt enter RETURN to display to the screen or enter
	a device name.

The following screen will be displayed.

```
Payer Expand Screen Sep 22, 2009@14:45:22 Page: 1 of 1
PAYER: IBpayer Two Prof. EDI#:11111 Inst. EDI#:11111
Insurance Company Name - Active Only
Insurance Company Name Address Prof# Inst#
1 IBinsurance Two A PO BOX 5555 SCRANTON, PA 11111 11111
2 IBinsurance Two B PO BOX 555555 COLUMBUS OHIO 11111 11111
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
```

3.2 Link Insurance Company to Payers using Insurance Company Editor

When VistA is unable for any reason to identify an insurance company as a potential match to a payer, users can link the insurance company to a payer from within the **Insurance Company Editor**.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Access the El Insurance Company Entry/Edit option.
3	At the Select INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: prompt, enter IBinsurance Two A for this example.

```
Insurance Company Editor Sep 22, 2009@15:11:57
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                                                             Page:
Insurance Company Information for: IBinsurance Two A
Type of Company: HEALTH INSURANCE
                                                      Currently Active
                           Billing Parameters
                                                Type Of Coverage: HEALTH INSURAN
 Signature Required?: NO
          Reimburse?: WILL REIMBURSE
                                                  Billing Phone: 555-555-5555
   Mult. Bedsections: YES
                                              Verification Phone: 555-555-5555
     One Opt. Visit: NO
                                              Precert Comp. Name:
     Diff. Rev. Codes:
                                                   Precert Phone: 1-800-555-5555
 Amb. Sur. Rev. Code:
  Rx Refill Rev. Code:
   Filing Time Frame: (12 MONTH(S))
                              EDI Parameters
              Transmit?: YES-LIVE
                                                Insurance Type: GROUP POLICY
         Enter ?? for more actions
                                                                              >>>
BP Billing/EDI Param IO Inquiry Office EA Edit All
MM Main Mailing Address AC Associate Companies AI (In) Activate Company
IC Inpt Claims Office ID Prov IDs/ID Param CC Change Insurance Co. Oct Claims Office PA Payer DC Delete Company
OC Opt Claims Office PA Payer
PC Prescr Claims Of RE Remarks
AO Appeals Office SY Synonyms
                                                   VP View Plans
                                                  EX Exit
Select Action: Next Screen// PA Payer
PAYER: IBpayer Two
```

Step	Procedure
4	At the Select Action: prompt, enter PA for Payer .
5	At the Payer: prompt, enter ?? to see a list of Payers.
6	At the Payer: prompt, enter IBpayer Two for this example.
<u>i</u>	Users must hold the IBCNE EIV MAINTENANCE security key to access the
7	(PA) Payer action.
i	To view the linked Payer for a particular insurance company, users may
7	access VI for View Insurance Company.

```
Insurance Company Editor Jul 07, 2010@13:55:50
                                                  Page: 8 of
Insurance Company Information for: IBinsurance Two A
Type of Company: HEALTH INSURANCE
                                              Currently Active
                  Payer Information: e-IV, e-Pharmacy
      Payer Name: IBpayer Two
   VA National ID: VA10
                                          CMS National ID:
 Payer Application: E-PHARM
                                          FSC Auto-Update: NO
  National Active: YES
                                             Deactivated: NO
    Local Active: YES
Payer Application: eIV
                                          FSC Auto-Update: NO
  National Active: YES
                                             Deactivated: NO
    Local Active: YES
        Enter ?? for more actions
                                                                 >>>
Select Action: Next Screen//
```

To view the linked payer for an insurance company, go back to the **Patient Insurance Menu** and select **View Insurance Company**.

Step	Procedure	
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.	
2	Access the VI View Insurance Company option.	
3	At the Select INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: prompt, enter IBinsurance Two A for this example.	

```
Insurance Company Editor
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Insurance Company Information for: IBinsurance Two A
Type of Company: HEALTH INSURANCE
                                                        Currently Active
                            Billing Parameters
          re Required?: NO
Reimburse?: WILL REIMBURSE
  Signature Required?: NO
                                                 Type Of Coverage: HEALTH INSURAN
                                                     Billing Phone: 555-555-555
                                             Verification Phone: 555-555-5555
    Mult. Bedsections: YES
     One Opt. Visit: NO
                                              Precert Comp. Name:
    Diff. Rev. Codes:
                                                    Precert Phone: 1-800-555-5555
  Amb. Sur. Rev. Code:
  Rx Refill Rev. Code:
   Filing Time Frame: (12 MONTH(S))
                               EDI Parameters
Transmit?: YES-LIVE
Inst Payer Primary ID: XXXXX Pro
                                                   Insurance Type: GROUP POLICY
### Frimary ID: XXXXX Prof Payer Primary ID: XXXXX + Enter ?? for more actions

CC Change Insurance Co
                                                                                >>>
Select Action: Next Screen//
```

3.3 Payer Edit (Activate/Inactivate)

To edit the payer information users must use the **Payer Maintenance Menu**. The **Payer Edit** option is restricted to users with the **IBCNE EIV MAINTENANCE** security key.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Access the PM Payer Maintenance Menu.
3	Access the PE Payer Edit (Activate/Inactivate) option.
4	At the Payer Name: prompt, enter IBpayer Two for this example.
	Users must hold the IBCNE EIV MAINTENANCE security key to access Payer
7	Edit.

Payer Edit This option allows you to view the data in the Payer file for a particular Payer. You may only edit local flags. Most of the fields in the Payer file are not editable. This data comes into VistA electronically. If an application has been deactivated, the local flag cannot be edited. Payer Name: IBpayer Two VA National ID: VA10 CMS National ID: Inst Electronic Bill ID: 11111 Prof Electronic Bill ID: 11111 Date/Time Created: 09/23/2003@10:54:57 Payer Application: eIV National Active: Active Future Service Days: 9999 Past Service Days: 9999 Auto-update Pt. Insurance: YES Local Active: Active//

Step	Procedure
5	At the Local Active: prompt, users can locally Activate or Deactivate a
5	Payer. Press RETURN to accept the default for this example.
(i)	Users can only Activate/Deactivate a Payer locally. The remainder of the
7	Payer information is set by FSC.
	A payer must be nationally ACTIVE and locally ACTIVE for 270/271 Health
A	Care Eligibility Inquiry and Response messages to be transmitted.
	Patch IB*2*416 removed the ability for patient SSNs be transmitted as IDs in a
(i)	270 Health Care Eligibility Inquiry so those prompts were removed from Payer
4	Edit.

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4 Process Insurance Buffer

The **Process Insurance Buffer** option provides six buffer views from which users may process entries and thus update patients' insurance information in the patient file:

- Complete Buffer Contains all records that can be found on the other Insurance Buffer views (Positive, Negative, Medicare, Failure and ePharm) in addition to the following types of records: eIV inquiries waiting for responses "?", manual entries <blank>, ambiguous responses "#", responses that include the value "%".
- **Positive Buffer** Positive 271 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Responses (that failed to meet the auto-update criteria and are non-Medicare). These responses may have one of the symbols "+" or "\$".
- **Negative Buffer** Negative 271 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Responses (non-Medicare). These responses have the eIV symbol "-".
- **Medicare Buffer** Positive, Negative or Ambiguous 271 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Responses. These responses may have any of the eIV symbols. (Refer to section 4.1.1 below.)
- Failure Buffer Contains only non-Medicare records that have an eIV symbol of "I"
- **ePharm Buffer –** Contains insurance billable pharmacy data.
- TRICARE/CHAMPVA Entries that contain the word TRICARE and/or CHAMPVA in the insurance company name.

4.1 Status Flags

4.1.1 Buffer Symbols

Flag	Meaning
(blank)	Inquiry not yet sent
+	Matching patient data was found at payer, payer indicates active policy
-	Matching patient data was found at payer, payer indicates expired policy
#	eIV is unable to determine if payer indicates active or expired policy OR matching patient data was NOT found at payer OR response did not return requested value (may include an additional message with explanation)
%	Response returned the requested value
?	Inquiry was sent, waiting for response
!	eIV was unable to send an inquiry for this entry. A manual correction is required before eIV can send inquiry. A descriptive error message will be displayed on the last screen of the expanded buffer entry.
\$	Buffer entry was escalated to user with appropriate security key.

4.1.2 Buffer Entry Status Flags

Flag	Meaning
d	Patient appears on more than one buffer view (Duplicate).

4.1.3 Patient Status Flags

Flag	Meaning
i	Patient currently has active insurance on file
1	Patient is currently admitted as an inpatient
Е	Patient is deceased (expired)
Υ	Patient is required to pay VA copayment for incurred charges according to Means Test
Н	Patient has charges on hold

4.1.4 Buffer Entry Source of Information Indicators

Letter	Meaning
1	Interview
Р	Pre-registration
М	Medicare
D	Data Match
Е	eIV Appointment Extract
R	Insurance Capture Buffer
V	IVM
Н	HMS
С	Contract Services
Χ	e-Pharmacy
F	Interfacility Ins Update
Т	Insurance Import
U	Purchased Care Choice
В	Purchased Care Fee-Basis
0	Purchaed Care Other
N	Insurance Intake
S	Insurance Verification
А	Veteran Appt Request
K	Kiosk
J	MyVA Health Journal

4.1.5 Insurance Entry Update Methods

Letter	Meaning
М	Merge - Data from the buffer entry will be saved to the insurance entry ONLY if the corresponding data field in the insurance entry is blank.
0	Overwrite - ALL non-blank data in the buffer entry will be saved to the insurance entry. If a buffer entry field has a value it will be saved to the corresponding insurance entry field. Blank insurance fields will be filled and existing insurance data replaced.
R	Replace - ALL fields in the buffer entry will be saved to the insurance entry, including blank fields. Therefore all data in the insurance entry will be deleted then completely replaced by the buffer entry.
N	No Change - This option may be used to identify the Insurance entry that corresponds to a buffer entry without actually changing any of the Insurance Information. The Buffer data is ignored.
1	Individually Accept - This option may be used to accept only non-blank specific fields from the buffer entry into the Insurance entry. Only those values accepted by the user will replace the corresponding fields in the Insurance entry.

See Appendix B for a detailed list of error messages associated with entries that were created because a 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiry could not be transmitted.

4.2 Buffer Actions

All views provide users the same actions for each buffer view.

Note that patients with no insurance on file will not be included in the nightly Buffer Extract.

These following actions are available in **Process Insurance Buffer**:

- **PE** Process Entry
- **RE** Reject Entry
- **EE** Expand Entry
- **AE** Add Entry
- ST Sort List
- **CC** Check Ins Co's
- **PB** Positive Buffer
- **NB** Negative Buffer
- **MB** Medicare Buffer
- **FB** Failure Buffer
- **RX** ePharm Buffer
- **EX** Exit
- **CB** Complete Buffer
- TC TRICARE/CHAMPVA

These following actions are hidden, but available in **Process Insurance Buffer**:

- + Next Screen
- - Previous Screen
- UP Up a Line
- DN Down a Line

- Shift view to Right
- < Shift view to Left
- **FS** First Screen
- LS Last Screen
- GO Go to Page
- RD Re Display Screen
- **PS** Print Screen
- PL Print List
- SL Search List
- **ADPL** Auto Display (On/Off)
- **Q** Quit

4.2.1 Process Entry

Processing an entry in a **Buffer View** results in updating the patient's insurance and removing the entry from the buffer. Once users access **Process Entry**, they will have access to the following additional actions:

- Accept Entry Allows users to update the patient's insurance and remove the entry from the buffer
- **Reject Entry** Allows users to remove the entry from the buffer without updating the patient's insurance
- **Compare Entry** Allows users to compare the data in the buffer with the data in the patient's insurance
- Expand Entry Allows users to Expand an Entry Refer to Section 4.2.3
- **Insurance Co/Patient** Allows users to view specific information about an insurance company's available policies

Step	Procedure
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Access the BI Process Insurance Buffer option.
i	The default Insurance Buffer view is the Positive Insurance Buffer and users
4	can move between views using the action for each view.
	Some actions such as Reject Entry are only available to users who hold the IB
\	INSURANCE SUPERVISOR key.

Complete Buffer Oct 19, 2015@16:16:01 Page: 1 of 1										
Sorted by: Patient Name										
Patient Name			Company Sub	oscr	Id	S	Enter	ed	iIE	ΥH
1 !IBPATIENT, ONE	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,ONE SUE	3 ID	XXXX	E	10/01	/15	iΙ	
2 ! IBPATIENT, TWO	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,ONE SUE	3 ID	XXXX	E	09/10	/15		
3 ! IBPATIENT, THREE	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,ONE SUE	3 ID	XXXX	E	09/10	/15		_
4 ! IBPATIENT, FOUR	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,TWO SUE	3 ID	XXXX	P	09/10	/15		
5 !IBPATIENT, FIVE	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E, FOUR SUE	3 ID	XXXX	P	09/10	/15		
6 !IBPATIENT,SIX	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E, FOUR SUE	3 ID	XXXX	P	09/03	/15		
7 !IBPATIENT, SEVEN	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E, FOUR SUE	3 ID	XXXX	P	09/10	/15		
8 !IBPATIENT, EIGHT	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,FIVE SUE	3 ID	XXXX	P	09/10	/15		
9 !IBPATIENT, NINE	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,ONE SUE	3 ID	XXXX	I	09/09	/15		
10 !IBPATIENT, TEN	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,SIX SUE	3 ID	XXXX	I	09/30	/15		
11 !IBPATIENT, ELEVEN	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,TWO SUE	3 ID	XXXX	I	10/01	/15	I	_
12 !IBPATIENT, TWELVE	XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,TWO SUE	3 ID	XXXX	P	10/01	/15	i	Н
13 ?IBPATIENT, THIRTE	EN XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,ONE SUE	3 ID	XXXX	E	09/30	/15		Y
14 ! IBPATIENT, FOURTE	EN XXXX	IBINSURANC	E,TWO SUE	3 ID	XXXX	P	09/30	/15	i	H
15 !IBPATIENT, FIFTEE	N XXXX	IBINSURANC	E, FOUR SUE	3 ID	XXXX	I	09/30	/15	i	Y
+ Enter ?? for	r more act	ions								
PE Process Entry S'	T Sort Lis	t M	B Medicare	Buf:	fer T	C TF	RICARE	/CHA	MPVA	
RE Reject Entry Co	C Check In	s Co's F	B Failure E	Buffe	er					•
EE Expand Entry Pl	B Pos. Buf	fer R	X ePharm Bu	ıffe	r					
	B Neg. Buf	fer C	B Complete	Buf	fer					
Select Action: Next So	creen//		-							
DETECT ACCION. NEXT SO	CIGGII//									

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select Action: prompt, enter PE for Process Entry .
4	At the Select Buffer Entry(s): (1-12): prompt, enter 1 for this example.

Insurance Buffer Process May 21, 2010@10:21:24 Page: 1 of 1						
IBpatient,One XXX-XX-XXXX DOB: XXX XX,XXXX AGE: XX						
	(P.O. BOX 555555, CLEVELAND	, OH)				
- IBinsurance One GRP NUM	I 11269 PATIEN 10/01/00					
Pati	ent's Existing Insurance					
Insurance Company Group		Effective Expires				
1 IBinsurance Two GRP NU		04/01/95 10/01/00				
i ibinisulance iwo gki ne	H 11209 SOD ID AAAA TATIEN	04/01/33 10/01/00				
Any Group/Plan tha	t may match Group Name or Group	Number				
Insurance Company	Group Name	Group Number				
2 IBinsurance Two PO BC	X 740800 XXXXX	GRP NUM XXXX				
3 IBinsurance Two PO BC	X 740800 XXXXX	GRP NUM XXXXX				
Enter ?? for more ac						
	Compare Entry VP Insura	ance Co/Patient				
RE Reject Entry EE	Expand Entry EX Exit					
Select Action: Quit//						

Step	Procedure			
5	At the Select Action: prompt, enter AE for Accept Entry.			
6	At the Select Company/Policy: (1-3): prompt, enter 1 for this example.			

```
Selected Insurance Company
  Insurance Data: Buffer Data
   Company Name: TEST-1
                                                 | BLUE CROSS
     Reimburse?:
                                                 | WILL REIMBURSE
   Phone Number:
  Billing Phone:
                                                 | 877.277.3368
 Pre-Cert Phone:
                                                 | 877.277.3368
 Street [Line 1]:
                                                  | 123 HERE
Street [Line 2]:
Street [Line 3]:
           City:
                                                 | SAN FRANCISCO
           State:
                                                 | CALIFORNIA
        Zip Code:
                                                 94114
                   (bold=accepted on Merge)
                                                 | (bold=replaced on Overwrite)
Is this the correct INSURANCE COMPANY to match with this Buffer entry? YES
Select the method to update the INSURANCE COMPANY: (M/O/R/N/I): NO CHANGE
```

Step	Procedure
7	At the Is this the correct INSURANCE COMPANY to match with this Buffer
	entry? Prompt, enter YES.
0	At the Select the method to update the INSURANCE COMPANY:
8	(M/O/R/N/I): prompt, always enter N.
(i)	VistA has no control over the information that the payers return, so by selecting
4	N , the details about the payer in the VistA insurance file will not be changed.
(i)	See Section 4.1.5 for details of the update methods.
\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\	•

Patient is a member of this In	surance Group/Plan
Group/Plan Data: Buffer Data Company Name: TEST-1 Is Group Plan?:	Selected Group/Plan BLUE CROSS YES
Group Name: Group Number: BIN: PCN:	BLUE CROSS OF CA 3485
Require UR: Require Pre-Cert: Require Amb Cert:	NO
Exclude Pre-Cond: Benefits Assign: Type of Plan: (bold=accepted on merge)	 YES ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE (bold=replaced on overwrite)
Is this the correct GROUP/PLAN to match with this Buffer entry? YES	
Select the method to update the GROUP/PLAN:	(M/O/R/N/I): NO CHANGE

Step	Procedure
9	At the Is this the correct Group Plan to match with this Buffer entry?
	Prompt, enter YES .
10	At the Select the method to update the Group Plan: (M/O/R/N/I): prompt,
	enter N.
i	VistA has no control over the information that the payers return, so by selecting
	N the details about the payer in the VistA insurance file will not be changed.

```
Do you want to Review the AB Y/N? No// YES
Benefit year:
  JAN 01, 2001
JAN 20, 2001
JAN 01, 2002
  JAN 01, 2016
  FEB 05, 2012
  FEB 09, 2015
  FEB 16, 2015
  MAR 01, 2015
  APR 01, 2001
  MAY 01, 2015
  JUN 01, 2015
  JUL 01, 2015
  AUG 01, 2015
SEP 25, 2005
SEP 01, 2015
SEP 25, 2015
OCT 01, 2015
NOV 25, 2005
  NOV 01, 2015
  DEC 16, 2015
  DEC 26, 2015
Enter Existing Date or Add New Benefit Year: JAN 1, 2001 (JAN 01, 2001)
```

Step	Procedure
11	At the Do you want to Review the AB Y/N? prompt, enter YES .
12	At the Enter the Existing Data or Add New Benefit Year prompt, enter the JAN 01, 2001 for this example.

```
Annual Benefits Data

Benefit Year : JAN 01, 2001
Policy Information : BLUE CROSS
Max Out of Pocket : 33.33
Ambulance Coverage(%) : 9

Inpatient:
Annual Deductible : 23
Per Admis Deduct : 2
Inpt. Lifetime Max : 100
Inpt. Annual Max : 68
Room & Board (%) : 34
Drug/Alcohol Lifet. Max : 67.00
Drug/Alcohol Annual Max : 02
Nursing Home (%) : 44
Other Inpt. Charges (%) : 77

Outpatient:
Annual Deductible : 38.89
Per Visit Deductible : 56.12
```

```
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
                   : 69.99
 Lifetime Max
 Annual Max
                            : 99.00
  Visit (%)
                           : 50
 Max Visits Per Year : 4
Surgery (%) : 67
  Emergency (%)
                           : 23
  Prescription (%) : 98
  Adult Day Health Care? : YES
  Dental Cov. Type : PERCENTAGE AMOUNT
  Dental Cov. (%)
Mental Health Inpatient:
 MH Inpt. Max Days/Year : 89
 MH Lifetime Inpt. Max : 56.32
MH Annual Inpt Max : 48
 Mental Health Inpt. (%) : 5
Mental Health Outpatient:
 MH Opt. Max Days/Year : 92
 MH Lifetime Opt. Max : 42
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
  MH Annual Opt. Max : 78
Mental Health Opt. (%) : 4
Home Health Care:
 Care Level : THERAPIST/OTHER
Visits Per Year : 56
Max. Days Per Year : 89
Med. Equipment (%) : 50
Visit Definition : CHECK-UP
Hospice:
 Annual Deductible : 10.00 Inpatient Annual Max. : 25.00
 Inpatient Lifetime Max.: 100.00
 Room and Board (%) : 30
  Other Inpt. Charges (%): 1
Rehabilitation:
 OT Visits/Yr : 93
  PT Visits/Yr : 99
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
  ST Visits/Yr : 92
 Med Cnslg Visits/Yr : 94
IV Management:
 IV Infusion Opt?
 IV Infusion Inpt?
                          : YES
 IV Influsion Inpt? : YES
IV Antibiotics Opt? : YES
IV Antibiotics Time?
 IV Antibiotics Inpt? : YES
Are you sure you want to edit existing benefit year information for: JAN 1,2001 Y/N?:
YES
```

Step	Procedure
10	At the Are you sure you want to edit the existing benefit year information
13	for <date> Y/N prompt, enter the YES.</date>

```
Benefit Year : JAN 1,2001//
Policy Information : BLUE CROSS//
Max Out of Pocket : 33.33// 80.00
Ambulance Coverage(%) : 9//

Inpatient:
Annual Deductible : 23//
Per Admis Deduct : 2// ^

Save Changes to Annual Benefits File Y/N? No// NO

Do you want to Review the AB Y/N? No// NO
```

Step	Procedure
14	At the Save Changes to Annual Benefits File Y/N? prompt, enter NO.
15	At the Do you want to review the AB Y/N prompt, enter N .
16	At the Do you want to Review the CV Y/N? prompt, enter YES .

```
Do you want to Review the CV Y/N? No// YES

Coverage Date:
    JAN 01, 1995
    JAN 01, 2002
    APR 08, 2015
    APR 10, 2015
    APR 20, 2015
    APR 25, 2015
    SEP 01, 2005
    SEP 25, 2005
    SEP 22, 2014
    SEP 25, 2015
    OCT 01, 2003
    NOV 01, 2003
    DEC 25, 2011
    DEC 31, 2015

Enter Existing Date or Add New Coverage Date: JAN 01,1995 (JAN 01, 1995)
```

Step	Procedure
17	At the Enter Existing Date or Add New Coverage Date prompt, enter the
17	JAN 01, 2001 for this example.

```
Coverage Limitations Data
INPATIENT:
 Inpatient Coverage : COVERED
Inpatient Date of Coverage : JAN 01, 1995
Inpatient Limit Comments : test
OUTPATIENT:
 Outpatient Coverage
  Outpatient Date of Coverage :
  Outpatient Limit Comments
PHARMACY:
 Pharmacy Coverage
 Pharmacy Date of Coverage :
 Pharmacy Limit Comments :
DENTAL:
  Dental Coverage
  Dental Date of Coverage
Dental Limit Comments
 Dental Limit Comments
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
                          Coverage Limitations Data
MENTAL HEALTH:
 MH Health Coverage
 MH Health Date of Coverage :
 MH Health Limit Comments :
LONG TERM CARE:
 Long Term Coverage
  Long Term Date of Coverage :
 Long Term Limit Comments
Are you sure you want to Edit existing Coverage Date information: JAN 1,1995 Y/N
?: NO
Do you want to Review the CV Y/N? No//
```

Step	Procedure
18	At the Are you sure you want to edit existing Coverage Date information Y/N? prompt, enter NO.
19	At the Do you want to Review the CV Y/N prompt, enter N .

```
Policy Data: Buffer Data
                                                   Selected Policy
    Company Name: TEST-1
                                                 | BLUE CROSS
   Group #: 3458
Patient Name: IBPATIENT, ONE
                                                 | 3485
                                                 | IBPATIENT, ONE
   Last Verified:
                                                 | APR 23, 2015
 Effective Date: MMM DD, YYYY
                                                 | JAN 01, 2015
                                                 | JAN 01, 2040
Expiration Date:
                                                 | 123456789
  Subscriber Id:
Whose Insurance:
                                                 | VETERAN
                                                 | PATIENT
  Relationship:
Rx Relationship:
                                                 1 0
 Rx Person Code:
                                                 | 001
Subscriber Name:
                                                 | IBTEST, EB
Subscriber's DOB: MMM DD, YYYY
                                                 | MMM DD, YYYY
                                                 | XX-XX-XXXX
Subscriber's SSN:
                                                 | FEMALE
Subscriber's SEX:
Primary Provider:
                                                 | IBDOCTOR, ONE
 Provider Phone:
                                                 | (555)515-5555
Coor of Benefits:
                                                 | SECONDARY
 Emp Sponsored?:
                                                 | YES
                                                 | 7654321
     Patient Id:
                                                 | 936 Little Street
 Subscr Str Ln 1:
 Subscr Str Ln 2:
                                                 | Suite 17
    Subscr City:
                                                 | Brooklyn
   Subscr State:
                                                 | NEW YORK
                                                 | 21323
    Subscr Zip:
 Subscr Country:
                                                 | USA
  Subscr Subdiv:
                                                 | 321
   Subscr Phone:
                                                | (111)111-111
  Subscriber Id: XXXXXXXXX
                                                 XXXXXXXXX
Enter RETURN to continue:
  Employer Name:
                                                  | Cognitive Solutions
     Emp Status:
Retirement Date:
Send to Employer:
Emp Street Ln 1:
                                                 | 1 Alpha Lane
Emp Street Ln 2:
                                                  | Galaxy Suite
Emp Street Ln 3:
       Emp City:
                                                  | San Diego
      Emp State:
                                                  | CALIFORNIA
                                                  | 91970
   Emp Zip Code:
       Emp Phone:
                   (bold=accepted on merge)
                                                 | (bold=replaced on overwrite)
Is this the correct PATIENT POLICY to match with this Buffer entry? YES
Select the method to update the PATIENT POLICY: (M/O/R/N/I): INDIVIDUALLY ACCEP
T (SKIP BLANKS)
Select the Patient Relationship to Subscriber: 01 SPOUSE
```

Step	Procedure
20	At the Is this the correct Patient Policy to match with this Buffer entry?
	Prompt, enter YES .
21	At the Select the method to update the Patient Policy: (M/O/R/N/I): prompt,
	enter I.
i	VistA has no control over the information that the payers return, so by selecting
	I, the user has full control over the details that are changed in the VistA
	insurance file.

The following screen shows the prompts to **Accept, Change or Replace** entries:

```
Policy Data: Buffer Data
                                                   Selected Policy
    Company Name: TEST-1
                                                 | BLUE CROSS
        Group #: 3485
                                                 1 3485
    Patient Name: IBPATIENT, ONE
                                                 | IBPATIENT, ONE
                                                 | APR 23, 2015
   Last Verified:
  Effective Date: MMM DD, YYYY
                                                 | JAN 01, 2015
Accept Change, Replace? No// NO
Expiration Date:
                                                 | JAN 01, 2040
  Subscriber Id:
                                                 | 123456789
Whose Insurance: VETERAN
                                                 | VETERAN
                                                 | PATIENT
   Relationship: PATIENT
Rx Relationship:
                                                 1 0
 Rx Person Code:
                                                 1 001
Subscriber Name:
                                                | IBTEST, EB
Subscriber's DOB: MMM DD, YYYY
                                                | MMM DD, YYYY
Accept Change, Replace? No// NO
Subscriber's SSN:
                                                 | XX-XX-XXXX
Subscriber's SEX:
                                                 | FEMALE
Primary Provider:
                                                 | IBDOCTOR, ONE
 Provider Phone:
                                                 | (555)515-5555
Coor of Benefits:
                                                 | SECONDARY
 Emp Sponsored?:
                                                 | YES
                                                 | 7654321
     Patient Id:
                                                 | 936 Little Street
 Subscr Str Ln 1:
 Subscr Str Ln 2:
                                                 | Suite 17
    Subscr City:
                                                 | Brooklyn
   Subscr State:
                                                 I NEW YORK
     Subscr Zip:
                                                 | 21323
 Subscr Country:
                                                 | USA
   Subscr Subdiv:
                                                 | 321
   Subscr Phone:
                                                 | (111)111-111
   Subscriber Id: XXXXXXXXXX
                                                 | XXXXXXXXXX
Accept Change, Replace? No// NO
  Employer Name:
                                                 | Cognitive Solutions
      Emp Status:
Retirement Date:
Send to Employer:
Emp Street Ln 1:
                                                 | 1 Alpha Lane
Emp Street Ln 2:
                                                 | Galaxy Suite
Emp Street Ln 3:
       Emp City:
                                                 | San Diego
      Emp State:
                                                 | CALIFORNIA
    Emp Zip Code:
                                                 | 91970
      Emp Phone:
                   (bold=accepted on merge)
                                                 | (bold=replaced on overwrite)
```

End of changes for POLICY related data.

Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:

Select the Patient Relationship to Subscriber: 01 SPOUSE

Step	Procedure
- 00	At the Select the Patient Relationship to Subscriber prompt, enter the 01
22	SPOUSE for this example.

Subscriber Data: Patient Registration Patient Insurance Policy Subscriber Id: 098765 | 123456789 Whose Insurance: VETERAN | VETERAN Relationship: SELF | SELF 1 0 Rx Relationship: 1 - NOT SPECIFIED | 001 Rx Person Code: 001 Subscriber Name: IBTEST,EB
Subscriber's DOB: NOV 04, 1939
Subscriber's SSN: XX-XX-XXXX
Subscriber's SEX: MALE | IBTEST,EB | NOV 04, 1939 | XX-XX-XXXX | MALE Primary Provider: IBPROVIDER, ONE | IBPROVIDER, TWO Provider Phone: (222)222-2222 | (555)555-5555 Coor of Benefits: PRIMARY | SECONDARY Patient Id: 1 2345678 Subscr Str Ln 1: 20-06 18th Street | 936 Little Street Subscr Str Ln 2: | Suite 17 Subscr City: QUEENS | Brooklyn | NEW YORK Subscr State: NEW YORK | 21323 Subscr Zip: 23405 Subscr Country: USA | USA Subscr Phone: 777-777-7777 | (444)444-4444 Is this the correct SUBSCRIBER INSURANCE to match with this Patient Registration entry? YES Select the method to update the SUBSCRIBER INSURANCE: (M/O/R/N/I): NO CHANGE

Step	Procedure
i	Eligibility/benefit data groups may be available on multiple pages. To scroll through each page, enter RETURN. To skip to the last page, enter ^.
23	At the Is this the correct SUBSCRIBER INSURANCE to match with this Patient Registration entry? prompt, enter YES.
24	At the Select the method to update the SUBSCRIBER INSURANCE: (M/O/R/N/I): prompt, enter N.
i	VistA has no control over the information that the payers return, so by selecting N , the user has full control over the details that are changed in the VistA insurance file.

```
*** Non-editable Patient Eligibility/Benefit data from payer ***
                   Payer Response
                                                  VISTA Pt.Insurance
Eligibility Information
 Subscriber: IBpatient, One
 Subscriber Id: XXXXXXXXX
 Subscriber DOB: XXXXXXXX
 Subscriber SSN: XXXXXXXX
 Group Name: XXXXXXX
 Group ID: XXXXXXXXXXXXX
 Whose Insurance: VETERAN
 Pt.Rel. to Subscriber: PATIENT
 Member ID:
 COB:
 Service Date:
 Effective Date: XXX XX, XXXX
 Certification Date:
 Expiration Date:
 Payer Updated Policy:
 Response Date: XXX XX, XXXX
 Trace #:
 Policy Number:
Contact Information
                                                | Contact Information
Eligibility/Group Plan Information
Reference ID Qualifier:
                                                 | Reference ID Oualifier:
Reference ID:
                                                 | Reference ID:
Reference ID description:
                                                 | Reference ID description:
 Provider Code:
                                                 | Provider Code:
 Reference ID:
                                                 | Reference ID:
 Primary Diagnosis Code:
                                                 | Primary Diagnosis Code:
 Secondary Diagnosis Code:
                                                 | Secondary Diagnosis Code:
 Military Info Status:
                                                 | Military Info Status:
                                                 | Employment Status:
 Employment Status:
 Government Affiliation:
                                                 | Government Affiliation:
 Date Time Period:
                                                 | Date Time Period:
 Service Rank:
                                                 | Service Rank:
 Desc:
                    Summary of eIV Eligibility/
                                                 | No eIV Eligibility/Benefi
Coverage Status: ACTIVE
                                                 | No eIV Eligibility/Benefi
Insurance Type: BLUE CROSS
                                                    No eIV Eligibility/Benefi
                    eIV Eligibility/Benefit Data Group# 1 of 7
Eligibility/Benefit Information
Elig/Ben Info: Active Coverage
Coverage Level: Individual
Date/Time Qual:
 D/T Period:
 Service Type:
```

```
Time Period:
Insurance Type: Medicare Part A
Plan Coverage Desc:
Benefit Amount:
Benefit %:
Quantity Qual:
Quantity Qual:
Quantity Amount:
Auth/Certification Required:
In-Plan-Network:

Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit: ^

Replace the Pt's Eligibility/Benefits data? YES//
```

Step	Procedure
25	At the Replace the Pt's Eligibility/Benefits data? prompt, enter YES.

The following screen will be displayed:

```
STEP 1: Insurance Company
There will be NO CHANGE to the existing Insurance Company data.
STEP 2: Group/Plan
There will be NO CHANGE to the existing Group/Plan data.
STEP 3: Annual Benefits
No Edits made/saved. No data saved into the Annual Benefits File.
STEP 4: Coverage Limitation
No Edits made/saved. No data saved into the Coverage Limitations File.
STEP 5: Patient Policy
The Buffer data will INDIVIDUALLY ACCEPT (SKIP BLANKS) the existing Policy data.
STEP 6: Subscriber Update
There will be NO CHANGE to the existing Patient Insurance data.
STEP 7: Eligibility/Benefits
The Buffer data will replace the existing EB data.
Is this Correct, update the existing Insurance files now? YES ...
Patient Policy Updated...
Warning: Insurance Company selected already on file for this patient.
          The previous entry is active.
          The WHOSE INSURANCE are the same.
          The Group Plans are the same.
Press 'V' to view the changes or Return to continue:
```

Step	Procedure
26	If you want to review the changes that were made when you chose Individually
	Accept, at the Press 'V' to view the changes or Return to continue: prompt,
	press RETURN for this example.
i	Note: Users may select more than one entry from the buffer at a time to
	process. The system will then cycle users through each selected entry.

4.2.2 Reject Entry

Users can remove an entry from the Buffer by rejecting the entry.

Step	Procedure
1	At the Select Action: prompt, enter RE for Reject Entry.
2	At the Select Buffer Entry(s): (1-17): prompt, enter 12 for this example.

The following screen will be displayed:

Entered: 9/9/09@13:46 Source: INTERVIEW
Entered By: IBclerk,One Verified:

Patient: IBpatient,Twelve Sub Id: XXXXXX
Insurance: IBinsurance Five Group #: XXXXXX-XX

This action will delete all insurance and patient specific data from a buffer entry without first saving that data to the insurance files, leaving a stub entry for reporting purposes.

Reject this buffer entry (delete without saving to Insurance files)? N// Y

Step	Procedure
3	At the Reject this buffer entry (delete without saving to Insurance files)?
	N// prompt, enter YES to remove entry from the buffer.
<u>i</u>	Note: Users may select more than one entry from the buffer at a time to reject.
	The system will then cycle users through each entry prompting them to reject
-4-	each selected entry.

4.2.3 Expand Entry

Users can **Expand an Entry**. Expanding an entry will cause the following categories of information to be displayed:

- Insurance Company Information;
- Group/Plan Information;
- Policy/Subscriber Information;
- Buffer Entry Information.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the BI Process Insurance Buffer.
2	At the Select Action: prompt, enter EE for Expand Entry .
3	At the Select Buffer Entry(s): (1-17): prompt, enter 1 for this example and
	page through the screens.

The following screens will be displayed:

```
Jul 23, 2013@17:16:47 Page: 1 of 4
Insurance Buffer Entry
                             XXX-XX-XXXX DOB: XXX XX, XXXX AGE: XX
IBpatient, One
Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW)
                       Insurance Company Information
                                        Reimburse?: WILL REIMBURSE
   Name: XYZ INS
                                     Billing Phone:
  Phone:
                                     Precert Phone:
                                  Remote Query From:
Address:
                          Group/Plan Information
  Group Plan?: Yes
   Group Name: TEST1
 Group Number: INS1234
         BIN:
                                             Require UR: No
         PCN:
                                     Require Amb Cert: No
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry
                                               EX Exit
EA All Edit
                      PI Pt. Policy Edit
EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits
Select Action: Next Screen//
```

Insurance Buffer Entry Jul 23, 2013@17:19:39 Page: 2 of XXX-XX-XXXX DOB: XXX XX, XXXX AGE: XX IBpatient, One Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB INTERVIEW) Require Pre-Cert: No Type of Plan: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR MEDIC Exclude Pre-Cond: No Benefits Assignable: Yes Policy/Subscriber Information Whose Insurance: SPOUSE Effective: 07/01/01 Expiration: Subscriber's Name: IBINS, ACTIVE Subscriber Id: W123 Relationship: SPOUSE Primary Provider: Provider Phone: Subscriber's DOB: XX/XX/XX Coord of Benefits: Patient Id: W123 +----Enter ?? for more actions-----EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit EX Exit EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN

```
Insurance Buffer Entry Jul 23, 2013@17:20:17 Page: 3 of
                          XXX-XX-XXXX DOB: XXX XX, XXXX AGE: XX
IBpatient, One
Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW)
+----
Employer Sponsored Group Health Plan?:
                     Buffer Entry Information
   Date Entered: 7/5/13009:05
                                      Date Verified:
    Entered By: CLERK, IB
                                        Verified By:
** This response is based on service date XX/XX/XXXX and service type: Health
Benefit Plan Cov **
   eIV Trace #: xxxxxxxxx
                                 eIV Processed Date: 7/5/13@09:38
       Source: INTERVIEW
Current eIV Status: Response Received, Active Policy
 Information received via electronic inquiry indicates patient has active
 insurance.
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry EX Exit EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit
PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits
Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN
```

Once users access **Expand Entry**, they will have access to the following additional Actions:

- **Ins. Co. Edit** Allows users to edit or change the Insurance Company.
- All edit— Allows users to edit each of the Expand Entry categories.
- **Group/Plan Edit** Allows users to edit the Group/Plan category.
- Escalate Entry Allows users to escalate an entry, to indicate to other buffer users that the record needs to be processed by someone else with more rights. Only active policies may be 'Escalated'. Also, not all users may 'Escalate' a buffer record. Those users who do not have the IB INSURANCE COMPANY EDIT security key and the IB GROUP PLAN EDIT security key will be the only ones authorized to use this 'Escalate' action. These users are restricted to accessing only certain positive "+" buffer entries.
- Pt. Policy Edit Allows users to edit the Policy/Subscriber category.
- Expand Benefits Allows users to see the Eligibility/Benefits data that was returned in the associated 271 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Response if there is one for this entry.

4.2.4 Add Entry

The Add Entry action, allows users to manually add a patient to the insurance buffer.

Step	Procedure
1	At the Select Action: prompt, enter AE for Add Entry.
2	At the Select PATIENT NAME: prompt, enter IBpatient, Thirteen for this
	example.

The following screen will be displayed:

```
Select PATIENT NAME: IBpatient, Thirteen X-X-XX XXXXXXXXX YES SC VETERAN Enrollment Priority: Category: NOT ENROLLED End Date:

Financial query queued to be sent to HEC...

*** Patient Requires a Means Test ***

Primary Means Test Required from APR 15,1999

Enter <RETURN> to continue.

MEANS TEST REQUIRED
```

Step	Procedure
3	Follow the prompts shown below to enter the insurance company, group/plan and policy and subscriber information.
4	When you have added an entry to the insurance buffer, you will be returned to the Complete Buffer .

```
Insurance Company: ??
Please enter the name of the insurance company that provides coverage for this
patient. This response is a free text response, however, a partial insurance
company name look-up is available here.
Insurance Company: IBinsurance
     1 IBinsurance One
         IBinsurance Two
         IBinsurance Three
         IBinsurance Four
        IBinsurance Five
CHOOSE 1-5: 2
Add a new Insurance Buffer entry for this patient and company? YES//
----- INSURANCE COMPANY INFORMATION -----
INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: IBinsurance Two//
     1 IBinsurance Two
CHOOSE 1-1: 1
REIMBURSE?:
PHONE NUMBER:
BILLING PHONE NUMBER:
PRECERTIFICATION PHONE NUMBER:
STREET ADDRESS [LINE 1]:
CITY:
STATE:
ZIP CODE:
----- GROUP/PLAN INFORMATION ------
The following data defines a specific Group or Plan provided by an Insurance
Company. This may be either a group plan with many potential members or an
individual plan with a single member.
IS THIS A GROUP POLICY?: N NO
GROUP NAME:
GROUP NUMBER:
BANKING IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:
PROCESSOR CONTROL NUMBER (PCN):
TYPE OF PLAN:
UTILITZATION REVIEW REQUIRED:
PRECERTIFICATION REQUIRED:
AMBULATORY CARE CERTIFICATION:
EXCLUDE PREEXISTING CONDITION:
BENEFITS ASSIGNABLE:
----- POLICY AND SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION ------
The following data defines the subscriber specific policy information for a
particular Insurance Plan. The subscriber, the insured, and the policy holder
all refer to the person who is a member of the plan and therefore holds the
policy. The patient must be covered under the plan but may not be the policy
 holder.
EFFECTIVE DATE:
EXPIRATION DATE:
PT. RELATIONSHIP TO SUBSCRIBER:
NAME OF SUBSCRIBER:
SUBSCRIBER'S DOB:
SUBSCRIBER'S SEX:
PATIENT PRIMARY ID:
```

```
PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER:
PRIMARY PROVIDER PHONE:
COORDINATION OF BENEFITS:
SOURCE OF INFORMATION: INTERVIEW//
ESGHP?:
SUBSCRIBER ADDRESS LINE 1:
SUBSCRIBER ADDRESS LINE 2:
SUBSCRIBER ADDRESS CITY:
SUBSCRIBER ADDRESS STATE:
SUBSCRIBER ADDRESS STATE:
```

4.2.5 Sort Buffer Views

The default sort for all Buffer views (except the **Positive Insurance Buffer**) is alphabetically by patient name. The **Positive Insurance Buffer** is sorted by "+" elV Status first and then alphabetically by patient name.

Users may re-sort the buffer based upon the following criteria:

- Insurance Company
- Source of Information
- Date Entered
- Inpatients
- Means Test
- On Hold
- Verified
- elV Status

4.2.6 Check Insurance Company

Users may view a list of insurance companies that exist in the insurance buffer that do not match any of the insurance company names or synonyms in the insurance company file. These insurance companies do not match any entries in the IIV AUTO MATCH file.

Once users select the **Check Ins Co's** action, they will have access to the following actions (Refer to Section 7 Auto Match):

- Select Entry
- Auto Match Enter/Edit

Step	Procedure
1	Access the BI Process Insurance Buffer.
2	At the Select Action: prompt, enter CC for Check Ins Co's.

The following screen will be displayed.

```
Jul 07, 2010@12:02:54
Unmatched Buffer Names
                                                          Page:
These are Insurance Company names from the Insurance Buffer file that do not
exist in the Insurance Company file (either as Names or as Synonyms). They
also do not exist or pattern match with any entry in the Auto Match file.
  1 IBinsurance One
  2 IBinsurance Twu
  3 IBinsurance Three
  4 IBinsurance Four
  5 IBinsurance Five
  6 IBinsurance Six
  7 IBinsurance Seven
  8 IBinsurance Eight
  9 IBinsurance Nine
 10 IBinsurance Ten
         Enter ?? for more actions
                                                  Exit
 Select Entry Auto Match Enter/Edit
Select Action: Next Screen//
```

Step	Procedure
i	Each buffer entry that fails to make any match to an entry in the Insurance Company file (#36) or the IIV AUTO MATCH file (#365.11) is presented to the user.
i	This example sets up an auto match entry to associate IBinsurance Twu with IBinsurance Two.
3	At the Select Action: prompt, enter SE for Select Entry.
4	At the Select Entry: (1-192): prompt select 2 for IBinsurance Twu .
5	At the Select INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: prompt enter IBinsurance Two.

The following screen will be displayed.

Select	INSURANCE COMPANY NAME:	IBinsurance Two					
1	IBinsurance Two	SAMPLE RD	NEWARK	OHIO	Y		
2	IBinsurance Two	TEST RD	LIVONIA	MICHIGAN	**		
3	IBinsurance Two	PO BOX 5555	MIDDLET	OWN N	EW YORK		* *
CHOOSE	1-3: 1 IBinsurance Two	SAMPLE RD	NEW	ARK O	HIO	Y	

Step	Procedure		
6	At the CHOOSE 1-3: prompt in this example, enter 1 for IBinsurance Two SAMPLE RD.		
7	At the Do you want to add an Auto Match entry that associates IBinsurance Twu with IBinsurance Two? No//: prompt, enter YES .		

The following prompts are displayed along with a confirmation message.

```
Do you want to add an Auto Match entry that associates
IBinsurance Twu with IBinsurance Two? No// Y YES

AUTO MATCH VALUE: IBinsurance Twu //

IBinsurance Twu is now associated with IBinsurance Two.
```

4.2.7 Buffer Views: Complete, Positive, Negative, Medicare, Failure, ePharmacy

Users may switch back and forth between the different available **Buffer Views** by selecting one of the following actions:

- **PB** Pos. Buffer
- **NB** Neg. Buffer
- **MB** Medicare Buffer
- **FB** Failure Buffer
- **CB** Complete Buffer
- RX ePharm Buffer
- TC TRICARE/CHAMPVA

4.2.8 AAA Errors - Complete Buffer View, Expand Entry

Users may view the Error Reporting Codes and corresponding textual descriptions in the Expand Entry when an Error Reporting Code is received in response to an associated 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits entry.

Step	Procedure	
1	Access the BI Process Insurance Buffer.	
2	At the Select Action: prompt, enter EE to expand an entry that has a "#".	
3	Note any AAA error messages listed in the Buffer entry.	

The AAA errors are displayed as shown in the following sample Expand Entry when accessed from within the Process Insurance Buffer option:

```
Insurance Buffer Entry May 07, 2013@13:26:09
                                                           Page:
                                                                    4 of
                                  XXX-XX-XXXX DOB: XXX XX,XXXX AGE: XX
IBPATIENT, ONE
            Buffer entry created on 05/07/13 by IBCLERK, ONE (eIV)
 Action to take: Review the details listed in the eIV Response Report and
  contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance
  information.
                  Eligibility Communicator Error Information
Invalid/Missing Subscriber/Insured ID (Error Condition '72')
Please Correct and Resubmit (Error Action 'C')
         Enter ?? for more actions
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry
                                               EX Exit
PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits Select Action: Quit//
                        PI Pt. Policy Edit
```

The AAA errors listed will be identical whether displayed on the Expand Entry screen within the Insurance Buffer or the Response Report called from the elV Menu.

The AAA errors are displayed as shown in the following sample Response Report when accessed from the eIV Menu:

```
eIV Response Report by Trace # May 07, 2013@11:48:22 Page:1
                                Trace #: XXXXXXXXX
  Payer: IBINSURANCE2
Patient: IBpatient, One (SSN: XXX-XX-XXXX DOB: XX/XX/XXXX
      Subscriber: IBPATIENT, ONE
  Subscriber ID:
  Subscriber DOB: XX/XX/XXXX
 Subscriber SSN:
                                             Subscriber Sex: M
     Group Name:
      Group ID:
Whose Insurance: VETERAN
                                                              PATIENT
     Member ID:
   Service Date:
                                              Date of Death:
Service Date: Date of Death:

Effective Date: Certification Date:

Expiration Date: Payer Updated Policy:

Response Date: XX/XXXXX Trace #:
                                                     Trace #: XXXXXXXXX
ERROR INFORMATION:
Reject Reason Code: 72
Reject Reason Text: Invalid/Missing Subscriber/Insured ID
Action Code: C
Action Code Text: Please Correct and Resubmit
HIPAA Loop: Subscriber Name
HL7 Location: N/A
Error Source: P
```

5 MEDICARE POTENTIAL INSURANCE WORKLIST - POTENTIAL COB REPORT

5.1 User Prompts

Users may create a worklist of those patients Medicare has identified in a 271 HL7 response message as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the Integrated Billing Master Menu.
2	Select the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
3	Select the EIV eIV MENU.
4	Select the MW Medicare Potential COB Worklist option.
5	Accept all default answers to the prompts for Earliest Report Date, Latest
5	Report Date and Sort Report By.
6	Select either S "Screen List" or R "Report" for the format type.
(i)	This is new for patch IB*2*497.

5.1.1 Search Criteria - Potential COB Worklist

Users may search for patients whom Medicare has identified in a 271 HL7 response message as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance based on the following:

- Earliest Date 271 HL7 message received
- Latest Date 271 HL7 message received

5.1.2 Sort Criteria - Potential COB Worklist

Users may sort entries for patients whom Medicare has identified as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance:

- Chronological Order
- Reverse Chronological Order

5.1.3 Format – Potential COB Worklist

Users may select one of the following formats for the list of patients whom Medicare has identified as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance:

- Report (refer to report section for more details)
- ListManager

5.1.4 Screen ListManager for Completed Entries – Potential COB Worklist

The ListManager view of patients whom Medicare has identified as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance does not display completed entries.

5.1.5 ListManager – Potential COB Worklist

Users may perform the following actions from within the list of patients whom Medicare has identified as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance:

- Mark entry as Not Reviewed
- Mark entry as Review in Process
- Mark entry as Review Complete
- Enter Comments
- View Comments

5.1.6 Comments – Potential COB Worklist

The system captures the following information when users enter comments to an entry on the list of patients whom Medicare has identified as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare Insurance:

- User Name
- Date
- Time

5.1.7 Visual Indicators – Potential COB Worklist

The system provides visual indicators for entries on the list of patients whom Medicare has identified as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance for the following conditions:

- Entries as Not Reviewed
- Entries marked as Review in Process
- Entries marked as Review Complete (can only be seen on the report format)
- Entries the system thinks, based on exact match of insurance company name and address, already exist in the Patient's Insurance.

6 REQUEST ELECTRONIC INSURANCE INQUIRY

This option allows users to create a Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiry whenever needed. This option allows users to override the re-verification of Service Date of today and individually select a specific Service Type Code. If no code is selected, the default of Service Type Code 30 as set in the IB Site Parameters is used. Using this option to create a buffer entry will by-pass the auto-update feature, leaving the buffer entry for manual processing.

6.1 Request a 270 Health Care + Benefits Inquiry

Step	Procedure
i	This example will send an insurance inquiry for Service Code Type 87 (cancer). If Service Type Code is defaulted then an inquiry will be sent for the Service Type Code defined in section 2.3 Define Service Code Parameters
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Access the elV Menu.
3	Access the El Request Electronic Insurance Inquiry option.
4	At the Select Patient Name prompt, enter Patient Name (in this example IBPATIENT, ONE)
i	Users must hold the IBCNE IIV SUPERVISOR security key to access this option.
<u>i</u>	Patch IB*2*438 provided the ability to request insurance inquiries with specific Service Type Codes. Patch IB*2*497 removed the ability to request multiple Service Type Codes but does allow for the selection of a single Service Type Code.

The following screen will be displayed:

```
eIV Insurance Request Dec 22, 2010@16:53:22
Request Electronic Insurance Inquiry for Patient: IB, PATIENT C XXXX
                                    Group Holder Effect.
TST1223 OTHER 07/01
   Insurance Co. Type of Policy Group
                                                                     Expires
1
  Insurance Comp1
                                               OTHER 07/01/2001
  Insurance Comp2
                                    GRP NUM 20 SELF
                                                         04/09/2010
          Enter ?? for more actions
                                                                             >>>
SE Select Entry
                                       EX Exit
Select Action: Quit// SE Select Entry
Select entry to request electronic inquiry: (1-2): 1
Enter Service Type Code: 30// ?
Answer with X12 271 SERVICE TYPE CODE
Do you want the entire 187-Entry X12 271 SERVICE TYPE List? N \,
Enter Service Type Code: 30// ??
Enter the single SERVICE TYPE CODE to be sent with inquiry or press 'ENTER' to
send DEFAULT Service Type Code 30 (Health Benefit Plan Coverage).
No response generated by this option will auto-update the patient file.
Enter Service Type Code: 30// ?
Answer with X12 271 SERVICE TYPE CODE
Do you want the entire 187-Entry X12 271 SERVICE TYPE List? Y (Yes)
  Choose from:
         Medical Care
          Surgical
  3
          Consultation
          Diagnostic X-Ray
  5
          Diagnostic Lab
  6
          Radiation Therapy
  7
          Anesthesia
  8
           Surgical Assistance
   9
           Other Medical
  10
            Blood Charges
            Used DME
  11
           DME Purchase
  12
           Ambulatory SC Facility
  13
  14
           Renal Supplies/Home
           Alt. Method Dialysis
  15
           CRD Equipment
  17
           Pre-Admission Testing
  18
           DME Rental
  19
          Pneumonia Vaccine
2nd Surgical Opinion
  20
   '^' TO STOP:
Enter Service Type Code: 30// 11
                                 Used DME
Enter Eligibility Date: TODAY//
Are you sure you want to request an insurance inquiry? NO// Y YES
Insurance Buffer entry created!
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
```

Step	Procedure
5	At the Select Action prompt, enter SE Select Entry.
6	At the Select entry to request electronic inquiry: (1-2): prompt, enter 1 for this example.
7	At the SERVICE TYPE CODE prompt, enter? for a list of the Service Type Codes or enter the one required. In this example enter 11. Now select Yes.
8	At the Enter Eligibility Date Prompt enter a valid date in MM/DD/YY. You will then be prompted "Are you sure you want to request an insurance inquiry? Enter Yes for this example. You will see the message "Insurance Buffer entry created!"
į	Note: An asterisk (*) will indicate that the request already has a buffer entry.

7 PATIENT INSURANCE INFO VIEW/EDIT

The Patient Insurance Info View/Edit option is used to look at a patient's insurance information and edit that data, if necessary. The system groups information that is specific to the insurance company, specific to the patient, specific to the group plan, specific to the annual benefits available, and the annual benefits already used.

Once a patient is selected, this screen is displayed listing all the patient's insurance policies. Information provided for each policy may include type of policy, group name, holder, effective date, and expiration date.

7.1 View Patient Policy Information

This screen displays expanded policy information for the selected company. Categories include utilization review data, subscriber data, subscriber's employer information, effective dates, plan coverage limitations, last contact, and comments on the patient policy or insurance group plan.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Access the PI Patient Insurance Info View/Edit Option
3	At the Select Patient Name prompt, enter Patient Name.

The following screen will be displayed:

```
Patient Insurance Management Jul 21, 2010@13:23:59 Page: 1 of 1
Insurance Management for Patient: IB, PATIENT XXXXX XX/XXXXX

Insurance Co. Type of Policy Group Holder Effect. Expires

1 IBinsurance COMPREHENSIVE M GRP NUM 13 SELF 08/24/14

Enter ?? for more actions >>>
AP Add Policy EA Fast Edit All CP Change Patient
VP Policy Edit/View BU Benefits Used WP Worksheet Print
DP Delete Policy VC Verify Coverage PC Print Insurance Cov.
AB Annual Benefits RI Personal Riders EB Expand Benefits
EX Exit
Select Item(s): Quit//
```

Step	Procedure
4	At the Select Action prompt, enter VP for Policy Edit/View.

The following series of screens will be displayed:

```
Patient Insurance Management Jul 21, 2010@13:23:59
                                                         Page:
                                                                  1 of
Insurance Management for Patient: IBPATIENT, ONE XXXX
   Insurance Co.
                   Type of Policy
                                    Group
                                                Holder Effect.
                                                                   Expires
                   COMPREHENSIVE M GRP NUM 13 SELF
   IBinsurance
                                                        06/20/09
         Enter ?? for more actions
                                                                         >>>
                  EA Fast Edit All
AP Add Policy
                                              CP Change Patient
VP Policy Edit/View
                       BU Benefits Used
                                               WP Worksheet Print
DP Delete Policy VC Verify Coverage
AB Annual Benefits RI Personal Riders
                                               PC Print Insurance Cov.
                                                EB Expand Benefits
RX RX COB Determination EX Exit
Select Item(s): Quit// VP Policy Edit/View .....
```

```
Mar 12, 2015@11:15:02
Patient Policy Information
For: IBPATIENT, ONE XXX-XX-XXXX XX/XX/XXXX
                                      ** Plan Currently Active **
IBinsurance Insurance Company
 Insurance Company
    Company: IBinsurance
     Street: XXXXXXXXXXXXX
 City/State: XXXXXX, IN 46801
 Billing Ph: 800/XXX-XXXX
 Precert Ph: 800/XXX-XXXX
  Plan Information
    Is Group Plan: YES
       Group Name: XXXXXXX
     Group Number: GRP NUM 13
              BIN:
              PCN:
     Type of Plan: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR MED
  Electronic Type: COMMERCIAL
   Plan Filing TF: (2 YEAR(S))
       ePharmacy Plan ID:
     ePharmacy Plan Name:
   ePharmacy Natl Status:
  ePharmacy Local Status:
  Utilization Review Info
                                         Effective Dates & Source
         Require UR:
                                             Effective Date: 08/24/14
    Require Amb Cert: YES
                                            Expiration Date:
```

```
Require Pre-Cert: YES Source of Into: 1NO
Exclude Pre-Cond: Stop Policy From Billing: NO
                                             Source of Info: INTERVIEW
Benefits Assignable: YES
 Subscriber Information
  Whose Insurance: VETERAN
   Subscriber Name: IB, PATIENT One
     Relationship: SELF
       Primary ID: XXXXXXXXX
  Coord. Benefits: PRIMARY
  Subscriber's Employer Information
  Employment Status:
                                     Emp Sponsored Plan: No
          Employer:
                                      Claims to Employer: No, Send to Insurance
                                        Retirement Date:
            Street:
         City/State:
             Phone:
Primary Provider:
 Prim Prov Phone:
  Subscriber's Information (use Subscriber Update Action)
 Subscriber's DOB: XX/XX/XXXX
            Str 1: xxxx Test Street
           Str 2:
            City: CHEYENNE
           St/Zip: WY 82007
           SubDiv:
          Country:
           Phone: XXXXXXX
 Subscriber's Sex: FEMALE
 Subscr's Branch:
   Subscr's Rank:
  Insurance Company ID Numbers (use Subscriber Update Action)
  Subscriber ID: xxxxxxxx
  Plan Coverage Limitations
                      Effective Date
            Effective Date Covered?
                                                     Limit Comments
  Coverage
                                                       _____
  INPATIENT
                     08/24/2014
   OUTPATIENT
                                      BY DEFAULT
  PHARMACY
                     09/24/2014
                                      NO
                                      BY DEFAULT
  DENTAL
  MENTAL HEALTH
                                      BY DEFAULT
  LONG TERM CARE
                                       BY DEFAULT
 User Information
      Entered By: IBCLERK, ONE
      Entered On: 10/08/14
 Last Verified By:
 Last Verified On:
 Last Updated By: IBCLERK, ONE
 Last Updated On: 10/08/14
  Comment -- Group Plan
  This is a long group comment. This area can hold much more than 80
 Characters in the field.
 Comment -- Patient Policy
Dt Entered Entered By
09/25/15 IBCLERK,TWO
                                      Method Person Contacted
                                      PHONE
                                                 USER-A
  JUST A COMMENT AND NOTHING ELSE
```

+09/25/15 IBCLERK, TWO PHONE USER-A
THIS IS A COMMENT THAT IS LONGER THAN 74 CHARACTERS TO SHOW THE WRAP INDICATO

Personal Riders
Rider #1: DENTAL COVERAGE

+ Enter ?? for more actions
PI Change Plan Info GC Group Plan Comments CP Change Policy Plan
UI UR Info EM Employer Info VC Verify Coverage
ED Effective Dates CV Add/Edit Coverage AB Annual Benefits
SU Subscriber Update PT Pt Policy Comments BU Benefits Used
IP Inactivate Plan EA Fast Edit All EB Expand Benefits
EX Exit
Select Action:

7.1.1 Patient Policy Comments

Patch IB*2*528 enhances Patient Policy Comments. The Patient Policy Comments can be accessed from the Patient Policy Information screens. The Patient Policy Comments can now hold 245 characters. This field will also hold a history of previously entered comments. With patch IB*2.0*549, the first 74 characters of the two most recent comments will be displayed when a user selects the action 'Policy Edit/View' (VP) from with the Patient Policy Information screens.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Access the PI Patient Insurance Info View/Edit Option
3	At the Select Patient Name prompt, enter Patient Name.
4	At the Select Action prompt, enter VP for Policy Edit/View.
i	A "+" symbol next to a comment indicates that there is more to the comment
7	and only a portion is currently displayed to the user.

The following is a sample of what will be displayed along with other policy related information:

Comment -- Patient Policy
Dt Entered Entered By Method Person Contacted
09/25/15 IBCLERK,TWO PHONE USER-A
JUST A COMMENT AND NOTHING ELSE

+09/25/15 IBCLERK,TWO PHONE USER-A
THIS IS A COMMENT THAT IS LONGER THAN 77 CHARACTERS TO SHOW THE WRAP INDICATO

To modify, delete, or add a comment the user must select the 'Pt Policy Comments' (PT) action.

Step	Procedure	
5	At the Select Action prompt, enter PT for Pt Policy Comments .	
i	A "+" symbol next to a comment indicates that there is more to the comment and only a portion is currently displayed to the user.	

The following screen will be displayed:

```
Patient Policy Comments Nov 17, 2015@16:51:41
                                                   Page:
                                                         1 of
Policy Comment History for: IBPATIENT, ONE XXX-XX-XXXX
                                                    XX/XX/XXXX
                      ** Plan Currently Active **
IBinsurance
    Dt Entered Entered By Method Person Contacted
1 09/25/15 IBCLERK, TWO
                            PHONE
                                               USER-A
   JUST A COMMENT AND NOTHING ELSE +09/25/15 IBCLERK, TWO
                                     PHONE
2 +09/25/15 IBCLERK, TWO
                                               USER-A
  THIS IS A COMMENT THAT IS LONGER THAN 77 CHARACTERS TO TEST THE WRAP INDI
3 04/26/15 IBCLERK, ONE MAIL
                                              USER-B
   Contacted the insurance company to confirm the subscriber ID.
4 +04/26/15 IBCLERK, FOUR PHONE USER-D
   CONTACTED THE PATIENT'S GRANDSON WHO WAS ABLE TO CONFIRM THE INSURANCE A
  +04/25/15 IBCLERK, FOUR PERSONAL USER-B
   THIS IS THE VERY FIRST PATIENT POLICY COMMENT FOR IB, PATIENT AND I'M JUST
        Enter ?? for more actions
EE Expand Entry AC Add Comment SL Search List EC Edit Comment DC Delete Comment EX Exit
Select Action: Quit//
```

These following actions are available in **Patient Policy Comments** screen:

- **EE** Expand Entry
- AC Add Comment
- SL Search List
- EC Edit Comment
- **DC** Delete Comment
- EX Exit

Expand Entry – Use this action to view a specific comment in its entirety including the following additional information that may be associated with that comment:

- Last Edited Date
- Last Edited By
- Contact Person
- Contact Phone #
- Method
- Call Reference #
- Authorization #
- Comment (Entire comment no truncation)

<u>Add Comment</u> – Use this action to create a new comment. If you were the last person to add a comment and it is the same day as when you added the last comment, this action will function like the "Edit Comment" action.

<u>Search List</u> – Use this action to search all comments for that patient policy. It will display all comments where the search criteria was found in at least one of the following fields:

- Contact Person
- Contact Phone #
- Call Reference #
- Authorization #
- Comment (Entire comment no truncation)

<u>Edit Comment</u> – Use this action to edit a comment. Comments can be edited later on the same date they were entered. If another comment is entered on that day, the comment will be locked. Users can only edit a comment during the same business day that it was created, until another user creates a new comment. A user cannot edit another user's comment.

<u>Delete Comment</u> – Use this action to delete a comment. Comments can be deleted later on the same date they were entered. If another comment is entered on that day, the comment will be locked. Users can only delete a comment during the same business day that it was created, until another user creates a new comment. A user cannot delete another user's comment.

Exit – Use this action to leave the Patient Policy Comment screen.

7.2 View Eligibility Benefit Information

This screen allows eligibility / benefit information to be displayed.

Step	Procedure	
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.	
2	Access the PI Patient Insurance Info View/Edit Option	
2	At the Select Patient Name prompt, enter Patient Name (in this example	
3	IBpatient,One).	
4	At the Select Action prompt, enter EB for Expand Benefits.	

The following screen will be displayed:

```
eIV Elig/Benefit Information Jul 23, 2015@17:41:07 Page: 1 of 11
PATIENT, ONE
                 xxx-xx-xxxx IBinsurance
** This response is based on service date 07/05/2015 and service type: Health
Benefit Plan Cov **
Eligibility/Group Plan Information
Reference ID Qualifer: OTHER
                                 Reference ID: 12345
Reference ID description:
Reference ID Qualifer: Group Number Reference ID: AET1234
Reference ID description: TEST1
Provider Code:
Reference ID:
Primary Diagnosis Code:
Military Info Status:
                                        Employment Status:
Government Affiliation:
                                        Personnel Desc:
Service Rank:
                                        Date Time Period:
                 eIV Eligibility/Benefit Data Group# 1 of 6
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
PS Payer Summary
                          EX Exit
Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN
```

eIV Elig/Benefit Information Jul 23, 2015@17:41:10 Page: 2 of 11 xxx-xx-xxxx IBinsurance IBPATIENT, ONE ** This response is based on service date 07/05/2015 and service type: Health Benefit Plan Cov ** Eligibility/Benefit Information
Elig/Ben Info: Active Coverage Coverage Level: Date/Time Qual: D/T Period: Service Type: Time Period: Insurance Type: Plan Coverage Desc: eIV Eligibility Determination Benefit Amount: Benefit %: Quantity Qual: Quantity Amount: Auth/Certification Required: In-Plan-Network: eIV Eligibility/Benefit Data Group# 2 of 6 Eligibility/Benefit Information Elig/Ben Info: Active Coverage Coverage Level: +----Enter ?? for more actions-----PS Payer Summary EX Exit Select Action: Next Screen//

Step	Procedure
5	At the Select Action prompt, enter PS for Payer Summary . (This will show all the other data that the payer responded with, which is not specifically benefit related.)
i)	Note: This is the same data that is displayed on the eIV Response Report if one used the trace# to look up the payer's response. The eIV Response Report data is periodically purged from the system; therefore, the data has been added to this screen.
i	Note: The Eligibility Benefits action (and this subscreen of related information Payer Summary) only contains one payer response at any given time.

The following screen will be displayed:

```
eIV Elig/Benefit Information Jul 23, 2015@17:41:07
                                              Page: 1 of 1
IBPATIENT, ONE
                            xxx-xx-xxxx IBinsurance
** This response is based on service date 07/05/2015 and service type: Health
Benefit Plan Cov **
______
Subscriber: IB, Patient
Subscriber ID: XXXXXXXXX
Subscriber DOB: XXXXXXXX
                             Subscriber Sex:
Subscriber SSN: XXXXXXXXXX
Group Name: XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Group ID: XXXXXXXXXXX
Whose Insurance: XXXXXXX
Patient Relationship to Subscriber: PATIENT
Member ID: XXXXXXXXX
COB: XXXXXXXXX
Service Date: 07/05/2015
                                    Date of Death:
Effective Date: XXXXXXXXX
                                     Certification Date:
Expiration Date:
                                     Payer Updated Policy:
Response Date: XXXXXXXXX
                                     Trace #: XXXXXXXXXXX
Policy Number: XXXXXXXXXXXX
Contact Information
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EX Exit
Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN
```

8 IIV AUTO MATCH PAYERS

Auto Match is a VistA feature designed to help match user-entered insurance company names to the correct payers in the database. In VistA, there are several places a user can enter an insurance company name (free text) without a list of valid insurance names from which to pick. Patient Registration and the Insurance Buffer are two examples. This can result in misspelled, improperly formatted, or incomplete insurance company names. Auto Match is necessary because the eIV software must be able to identify which insurance company the user is referring to in order to appropriately generate inquiries and process responses. This functionality promotes the use of consistent insurance company names.

There is an IIV AUTO MATCH file (#365.11) in each VistA system. Each record in the file has two fields. The first field, **Entered Name**, stores the insurance company name that the user entered into the VistA system without validation. The second field, **Proper Name**, stores the name of the insurance company that can be found in the INSURANCE COMPANY file (#36) of the VistA database.

The Auto Match feature is used to teach the VistA system how to interpret common misspellings or incomplete entries that users enter when typing in free-text insurance company names.

It is recommended that users run the **Check Ins Co's** action on names from the **Insurance Buffer Views** to initially populate the Auto Match files based on existing entries in the **Insurance Buffer**. Selecting this action will generate a list of insurance company names found in the INSURANCE VERIFICATION PROCESSOR file (#355.33) that do not exist in the INSURANCE COMPANY file (#36). The more one "teaches" the Auto Match functionality, the fewer problems eIV will encounter when it creates insurance inquiries for electronic transmission to the payers.

Users can enter (add), edit, or delete Auto Match entries using the menu option PI > EIV > AE (**Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries**), as described in section 8.3.

Users must have the IBCNE EIV MAINTENANCE security key to enter (add), edit, or delete an Auto Match entry.

8.1 Auto Match in VistA Applications

Auto Match is currently used in the **Insurance Buffer**.

When a user types a free-text insurance company name, VistA attempts to match the name with one of the proper insurance company names stored in the INSURANCE COMPANY file (#36). If no match is found, the name as typed by the user is then compared to the list of **Entered Name(s)** in the IIV AUTO MATCH file (#365.11). If there are **Entered Name(s)** in the IIV AUTO MATCH file that match the user-typed name, they are displayed along with their associated **Proper Name(s)**. Users may then select one of the Proper Names to replace the free-text entry.

Users are not required to accept one of the supplied choices; they can choose to keep the free-text name. The Auto Match process may fail to find matching insurance company name(s), in which case no choices are presented to users.

8.2 Types of Auto Match Matches

8.2.1 Simple Auto Matches

In a simple Auto Match, the **Entered Name** field literally contains the name found in the Insurance Buffer (or entered by a user into the IIV AUTO MATCH file (#365.11). Leading and trailing spaces are ignored. An entry in the buffer might have **BC/BS** as the **Entered Name** and show **Blue Cross Blue Shield** in the **Proper Name** field. As the insurance staff encounter misnamed insurance companies (i.e. the name on the insurance card does not match the name in the VistA database), users can correct the name and VistA will prompt users to add it as a new record in the IIV AUTO MATCH file (#365.11).

8.2.2 Wildcard Auto Match Matches

In a wildcard Auto Match, simple matches are supported but the wildcard character, the asterisk (*), can also be used. Wildcards may be used to anticipate common spelling mistakes. The asterisk can be substituted for any number of characters. For example, if users enter BC*BS, the system will return all Insurance Company names that begin with BC and end with BS. BC/BS, BC BS, BC-BS, BCBS and BC / BS would all match BC*BS.

An **Entered Name** may contain more than one asterisk (i.e. BC*BS*). When a wildcard is used, a minimum of four non-wildcard characters must also be specified.

8.3 Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries (AE)

VistA offers a menu option to enter (add), edit, or delete entries in the IIV AUTO MATCH file (#365.11). Each AE option is explained separately below.

8.3.1 Add an Auto Match Entry

Step	Procedure
1	Access the elV Menu.
2	Select the AE Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries option.

The following prompts display:

```
Select an Auto Match Entry: ??
  1199 SEIU is associated with 1199 NAT'L BEN INPAT BC/BS OF ILLINOIS is associated with BCBS WY*
BC/BS OF TEXAS is associated with BCBS WY*
BCBS is associated with BCBS WY*
  You may enter a new IIV AUTO MATCH, if you wish.
  This field is the entered name for the insurance company. This
  value holds the 'incorrect' insurance company name which needs
  to get corrected and replaced with the valid insurance company
  name. Typical values in this field will include common
  spelling mistakes and incorrect insurance company names. Also
  allowed here is the "*" wildcard character. Any entry with a
  wildcard character must also contain at least 4 non-wildcard
  characters. Multiple asterisks are allowed here.
Select an Auto Match Entry: TEST ADDED ENTRY
Are you adding 'TEST ADDED ENTRY' as a new IIV AUTO MATCH (the 5TH)? No// Y
    IIV AUTO MATCH INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: Z
         1 ZENITH ADMINISTRATORS
    CHOOSE 1 - 1:
```

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select an Auto Match Entry prompt, type the Entered Name for the
	entry you want to add (for this example, TEST ADDED ENTRY).
4	(For this example) At the Are you adding 'TEST ADDED ENTRY' as a new
	IIV AUTO MATCH (the 5TH)? No / / prompt, answer YES.
5	At the IIV AUTO MATCH INSURANCE COMPANY NAME prompt, enter a
	valid Proper Name from the Insurance Company file (or enter ??).
i	Remember – the Entered Name must be a minimum of 3 characters. If an '*' is
7	used, it must be accompanied by four additional characters.
i	Entered Names must be unique. One Entered Name cannot be associated with
7	more than one Insurance Company Name.

8.3.2 Edit an Auto Match Entry

Step	Procedure
1	Access the elV Menu.
2	Select the AE Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries option.

The following prompts display:

```
Select an Auto Match Entry: ??
   Choose from:
  BC/BS OF TEXAS

Is associated with 1199 NAT
is associated with BCBS WY*
is associated with BCBS WY*
  1199 SEIU
                        is associated with 1199 NAT'L BEN INPAT
                        is associated with BCBS WY*
  TEST ADDED ENTRY is associated with ZENITH ADMINISTRATORS
 You may enter a new IIV AUTO MATCH, if you wish.
 This field is the entered name for the insurance company. This
 value holds the 'incorrect' insurance company name which needs
 to get corrected and replaced with the valid insurance company
 name. Typical values in this field will include common
 spelling mistakes and incorrect insurance company names.
 allowed here is the "*" wildcard character. Any entry with a
 wildcard character must also contain at least 4 non-wildcard
 characters. Multiple asterisks are allowed here.
Select an Auto Match Entry: TEST ADDED ENTRY
                                                is associated with ZENITH
    ADMINISTRATORS
        ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
Do you want to Edit or Delete this entry? E// Edit
AUTO MATCH VALUE: TEST ADDED ENTRY//
INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: ZENITH ADMINISTRATORS Replace
     TEST ADDED ENTRY is now associated with ZENITH ADMINISTRATORS.
```

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select an Auto Match Entry prompt, type the Entered Name for the
	entry you want to edit.
4	At the Do You Want to Edit or Delete this entry? E / / prompt, type Edit .
5	At the AUTO MATCH VALUE prompt, accept or change the existing Entered
	Name value.
6	At the INSURANCE COMPANY NAME prompt, accept or change Insurance
	Company to be matched to this entry.
i	Remember – the Entered Name must be a minimum of 3 characters. If an '*' is
7	used, it must be accompanied by four additional characters.
(i)	Entered Names must be unique. One Entered Name cannot be associated with
7	more than one Insurance Company Name.

8.3.3 Delete an Auto Match Entry

Step	Procedure
1	Access the elV Menu.
2	Select the AE Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries option.

The following prompts display:

```
Select an Auto Match Entry: ??
   Choose from:
  BC/BS OF TEXAS

Is associated with 1199 NAT
is associated with BCBS WY*
is associated with BCBS WY*
  1199 SEIU
                        is associated with 1199 NAT'L BEN INPAT
                        is associated with BCBS WY*
  TEST ADDED ENTRY is associated with ZENITH ADMINISTRATORS
 You may enter a new IIV AUTO MATCH, if you wish.
 This field is the entered name for the insurance company. This
 value holds the 'incorrect' insurance company name which needs
 to get corrected and replaced with the valid insurance company
 name. Typical values in this field will include common
 spelling mistakes and incorrect insurance company names.
 allowed here is the "*" wildcard character. Any entry with a
 wildcard character must also contain at least 4 non-wildcard
 characters. Multiple asterisks are allowed here.
Select an Auto Match Entry: TEST ADDED ENTRY
                                                 is associated with ZENITH
    ADMINISTRATORS
         ...OK? Yes//
                       (Yes)
Do you want to Edit or Delete this entry? {\rm E}//{\rm Delete}
Are you sure you want to delete <TEST ENTRY>: ? N//
```

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select an Auto Match Entry prompt, type the Entered Name for the
	entry you want to delete.
4	At the Do You Want to Edit or Delete this entry? E / / , type Delete (Edit is
	the default).
5	(For this example) At the Are you sure you want to delete <test added<="" th=""></test>
	ENTRY>: ? N / / prompt, answer YES.
i	Remember – the Entered Name must be a minimum of 3 characters. If an '*' is
	used, it must be accompanied by four additional characters.
i	Entered Names must be unique. One Entered Name cannot be associated with
	more than one Insurance Company Name.

8.4 Add Auto Match Entries Using Insurance Buffer Data

Step	Procedure
1	Access the elV Menu.
2	Select the AB Add Auto Match Entries Using Insurance Buffer Data option.

The following prompts display:

Jul 07, 2010@12:02:54 Unmatched Buffer Names Page: These are Insurance Company names from the Insurance Buffer file that do not exist in the Insurance Company file (either as Names or as Synonyms). They also do not exist or pattern match with any entry in the Auto Match file. 1 IBinsurance One 2 IBinsurance Number Two 3 IBinsurance Three 4 IBinsurance Four 5 IBinsurance Five 6 IBinsurance Six 7 IBinsurance Seven 8 IBinsurance Eight IBinsurance Nine 10 IBinsurance Ten Enter ?? for more actions Select Entry Auto Match Enter/Edit Exit Select an Auto Match Entry: IBinsurance Number Two Are you adding 'IBinsurance Number Two' as a new IIV AUTO MATCH (the 5TH)? No// Y IIV AUTO MATCH INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: IBinsurance Two

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select Action prompt, enter Auto Match Enter/Edit for this example.
4	Select the AE Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries option.
5	At the Select an Auto Match Entry prompt, enter IBinsurance Number Two
	for this example.
6	(For this example) At the Are you adding 'IBinsurance Number Two' as a
	new IIV AUTO MATCH (the 144th)? No / / prompt, answer YES.
7	At the IIV AUTO MATCH INSURANCE COMPANY NAME prompt, enter
	IBinsurance Two for this example.
i	Remember – the Entered Name must be a minimum of 3 characters. If an '*' is
	used, it must be accompanied by four additional characters.
i	Entered Names must be unique. One Entered Name cannot be associated with
	more than one Insurance Company Name.

8.5 Check Insurance Buffer Company Names

As described in section 4.2.6, the action **Check Ins Co's**. in the **Insurance Buffer** screen is another method of accessing the **Auto Match Enter/Edit** option.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Select the BI Process Insurance Buffer option.

The following screen will be displayed:

Sorted by: Positive Response Patient Name Insurance Company Subscr Id S Ent	tered iIEYH
Patient Name Insurance Company Subscr Id S Ent	-oned :TEVII
	rered IIFIU
1 +IBpatient,One XXXX IBinsurance One SUB ID XXXX E 05/	′18/10 i
2 +IBpatient,Two XXXX IBinsurance One SUB ID XXXX E 05/	/18/10 i
3 +IBpatient,Three XXXX IBinsurance One SUB ID XXXX E 05/	/18/10 i
4 +IBpatient,Four XXXX IBinsurance Two SUB ID XXXX P 09,	/21/04 Y
5 +IBpatient,Five XXXX IBinsurance Four SUB ID XXXX P 03/	/31/05
6 +IBpatient,Six XXXX IBinsurance Four SUB ID XXXX P 12/	08/04
7 +IBpatient,Seven XXXX IBinsurance Two SUB ID XXXX P 11/	/30/04 Y
8 +IBpatient,Eight XXXX IBinsurance Four SUB ID XXXX P 02/	/28/05 YH
9 +IBpatient, Nine XXXX IBinsurance Two SUB ID XXXX I 03/	/29/05 Y
10 +IBpatient,Ten XXXX IBinsurance Three SUB ID XXXX I 11/	16/04
11 +IBpatient,Eleven XXXX IBinsurance Two SUB ID XXXX P 03,	/31/05 YH
12 +IBpatient,Twelve XXXX IBinsurance Five SUB ID XXXX I 03/	/24/05 H
*Verified +Active ?Await/Reply	
	re Appts.
RE Reject Entry ST Sort List NB Neg. Buffer EX Exit	- C 11PP CC •
EE Expand Entry CC Check Ins Co's MB Medicare Buffer	
Select Action: Next Screen//	

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select Action: prompt, enter CC for Check Ins Co's.

The following screen will be displayed:

```
Jul 07, 2010@12:02:54
Unmatched Buffer Names
                                                          Page:
These are Insurance Company names from the Insurance Buffer file that do not
exist in the Insurance Company file (either as Names or as Synonyms). They
also do not exist or pattern match with any entry in the Auto Match file.
  1 IBinsurance One
  2 IBinsurance Number Two
  3 IBinsurance Three
  4 IBinsurance Four
  5 IBinsurance Five
  6 IBinsurance Six
  7 IBinsurance Seven
  8 IBinsurance Eight
  9 IBinsurance Nine
 10 IBinsurance Ten
         Enter ?? for more actions
 Select Entry Auto Match Enter/Edit
                                                 Exit
Select Action: Next Screen//
```

8.6 Change Company Name via the Insurance Buffer

Auto Match entries can also be created when users change an **Insurance Buffer** entry's insurance company name in the insurance buffer edit screen. When users change the existing insurance company name, listed on an **Insurance Buffer** entry, VistA prompts users to keep track of the original typed name and new name as an Auto Match entry. If users concur, the original typed insurance company name is treated as the **Entered Name** and the new insurance company name is considered the **Proper Name**. The user is then offered the opportunity to modify the **Entered Name**, possibly to make it more general.

Step	Procedure
i	This example sets up an auto match entry to associate IBinsurance Flur with
7	IBinsurance Four.
1	Access the PI Patient Insurance Menu.
2	Select the BI Process Insurance Buffer option.
	VistA warns users when the Proper Name matches an insurance company's
(i)	name synonym and not the company's name, or the Proper Name matches
4	more than one synonym and company name.

The following screen will be displayed:

Pos	Positive Insurance Buffer May 21, 2010@10:18:01 Page: 1 of 1											
Sor	ted by: Positive Respo	nse										
	Patient Name		Insuranc	e Co	ompany	Subs	scr	Id	S	Enter	ed	iIEYH
1	+IBpatient,One	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	One	SUB	ID	XXXX		05/18	, -	i
2	+IBpatient,Two	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	One	SUB	ID	XXXX		05/18	, -	i
3	+IBpatient,Three	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	One	SUB	ID	XXXX		05/18	, -	i
4	+IBpatient,Four	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Two	SUB	ID	XXXX	Р	09/21	/04	Y
5	+IBpatient,Five	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Four	SUB	ID	XXXX		03/31	,	
6	+IBpatient,Six	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Flur	SUB	ID	XXXX	P	12/08	/04	
7	+IBpatient,Seven	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Two	SUB	ID	XXXX	Р	11/30	/04	Y
8	+IBpatient,Eight	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Four	SUB	ID	XXXX	P	02/28	/05	YH
9	+IBpatient,Nine	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Two	SUB	ID	XXXX	I	03/29	/05	Y
10	+IBpatient,Ten	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Three	SUB	ID	XXXX	I	11/16	/04	
11	+IBpatient,Eleven	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Two	SUB	ID	XXXX	Р	03/31	/05	YH
12	+IBpatient,Twelve	XXXX	IBinsura	nce	Five	SUB	ID	XXXX	I	03/24	/05	Н
	*Verified +A	ctive	?Await/	Rep.	ly							
PΕ	Process Entry AE Ado	d Ent	ry	PB	Pos. I	Buffe	er	Ε	FA Fι	uture	Appts	s.
RE :	Reject Entry ST So:	rt Li	st	NB	Neg. I	Buffe	er	Ε	EX Ex	kit		
EE :	Expand Entry CC Ch	eck I	ns Co's	MB	Medica	are E	Buf:	fer				
Sel	ect Action: Exit//											

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select Action: prompt, enter EE for Expand Entry .
1	At the Select Buffer Entries: prompt, enter 6 for this example and page
4	through the screens.

The following screens will be displayed:

```
Insurance Buffer Entry Jul 23, 2013@17:16:47 Page: 1 of IBpatient,One xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XXX XX,XXXX AGE: XX
Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW)
                         Insurance Company Information
   Name: IBinsurance
                                              Reimburse?: WILL REIMBURSE
   Phone:
                                           Billing Phone:
                                           Precert Phone:
                                       Remote Query From:
Address:
                           Group/Plan Information
  Group Plan?: Yes
   Group Name: TEST1
 Group Number: IB 1234
          BIN:
                                                    Require UR: No
                                          Require Amb Cert: No
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry
EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit
PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits
                                                       EX Exit
Select Action: Next Screen//
```

```
Insurance Buffer Entry Jul 23, 2013@17:19:39
                                                  Page:
                                                           2 of 4
IBpatient, One xxx-xx-xxxx
                               DOB: XXX XX,XXXX
                                                   AGE: XX
Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW)
                                      Require Pre-Cert: No
 Type of Plan: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR MEDIC Exclude Pre-Cond: No
                                    Benefits Assignable: Yes
                      Policy/Subscriber Information
 Whose Insurance: SPOUSE
                                            Effective: 07/01/01
                                            Expiration:
 Subscriber's Name: IBINS, ACTIVE
  Subscriber Id: XXXXXXXXXX
   Relationship: SPOUSE
                                     Primary Provider:
                                       Provider Phone:
  Subscriber's DOB: XX/XX/XXXX
                                       Coord of Benefits:
                                            Patient Id: XXXXXXXXXXXX
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry
                                          EX Exit
EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits
Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN
```

```
Insurance Buffer Entry Jul 23, 2013@17:20:17
                                                  Page: 3 of
                                                   AGE: XX
IBpatient, One xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XXX XX, XXXX
Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW)
+-----
Employer Sponsored Group Health Plan?:
                       Buffer Entry Information
   Date Entered: 7/5/13@09:05 Date Entered By: CLERK,IB Verified By:
                                         Date Verified:
** This response is based on service date 07/05/2013 and service type: Health
Benefit Plan Cov **
    eIV Trace #: xxxxxxxxx
                                   eIV Processed Date: 7/5/13@09:38
        Source: INTERVIEW
Current eIV Status: Response Received, Active Policy
 Information received via electronic inquiry indicates patient has active
 insurance.
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry EX Exit FA All Edit PI Pt Policy Edit
EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits
Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN
```

Step	Procedure
3	At the Select Action: prompt, enter El for Ins. Co. Edit.
1	At the Insurance Company Name: IBinsurance Flur // prompt, enter
4	IBinsurance Four.
5	At the CHOOSE 1-5: prompt, enter 1 for this example.
-	At the Do you want to add an Auto Match entry that associates
6	IBinsurance Flur with IBinsurance Four? No// prompt, enter YES.

The following prompts are displayed along with a confirmation message:

Step	Procedure
7	There will then be a series of prompts to update the insurance company
'	details. At each prompt, enter RETURN to keep the current setting.

```
REIMBURSE?:
PHONE NUMBER: 8005555555//
BILLING PHONE NUMBER:
PRECERTIFICATION PHONE NUMBER:
STREET ADDRESS [LINE 1]: PO BOX 55555//
STREET ADDRESS [LINE 2]:
CITY: CLEVELAND//
STATE: OHIO//
ZIP CODE: 44101//
```

Step	Procedure
8	After accepting all the current insurance company settings the original insurance buffer entry will be displayed showing the revised insurance company.

```
Insurance Buffer Entry Jul 23, 2013@17:16:47
                                                 Page: 1 of 4
IBpatient, One xxx-xxxx DOB: XXX XX, XXXX AGE: XX
Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW)
                     Insurance Company Information
                                       Reimburse?: WILL REIMBURSE
   Name: IBinsurance----
  Phone:
                                    Billing Phone:
                                    Precert Phone:
                                 Remote Query From:
Address:
                        Group/Plan Information
  Group Plan?: Yes
  Group Name: TEST1
 Group Number: IB1234
         BIN:
                                           Require UR: No
                                  Require Amb Cert: No
         PCN:
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry EX Exit
EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits
Select Action: Next Screen//
```

Insurance Buffer Entry Jul 23, 2013@17:19:39 Page: 2 of 4 AGE: XX IBpatient, One xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XXX XX,XXXX Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW) Require Pre-Cert: No Type of Plan: COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR MEDIC Exclude Pre-Cond: No Benefits Assignable: Yes Policy/Subscriber Information Whose Insurance: SPOUSE Effective: 07/01/01 Expiration: Subscriber's Name: IBINS, ACTIVE Subscriber Id: XXXXXXXXXX Relationship: SPOUSE Primary Provider: Provider Phone: Subscriber's DOB: XX/XX/XXXX Coord of Benefits: Patient Id: XXXXXXXXXXXXX +----Enter ?? for more actions-----EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry EX Exit EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN

```
Buffer entry created on 07/05/13 by CLERK, IB (INTERVIEW)
+-----
Employer Sponsored Group Health Plan?:
                     Buffer Entry Information
   Date Entered: 7/5/13@09:05 Date Verified:
   Entered By: CLERK, IB
                                       Verified By:
** This response is based on service date 07/05/2013 and service type: Health
Benefit Plan Cov **
   eIV Trace #: xxxxxxxxx
                                 eIV Processed Date: 7/5/13@09:38
       Source: INTERVIEW
Current eIV Status: Response Received, Active Policy
 Information received via electronic inquiry indicates patient has active
 insurance.
+----Enter ?? for more actions-----
EI Ins. Co. Edit ES Escalate Entry
EA All Edit PI Pt. Policy Edit
PE Group/Plan Edit EB Expand Benefits
                                        EX Exit
Select Action: Next Screen// NEXT SCREEN
```

9 EIV REPORTS

There are multiple eIV-related reports. An explanation of and instructions for each report are described in this section.

elV Reports can be found on the elV Menu on the Patient Insurance Menu.

```
Add Auto Match Entries Using Insurance Buffer Data
 AΒ
        Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries
 ΑE
       Request Electronic Insurance Inquiry
 ΕI
 HT.
      HL7 Response Report
 IU
      eIV Patient Insurance Update Report
      eIV Payer Link Report
      Medicare Potential COB Worklist
 NΙ
      Potential New Insurance Found ...
 PR
      eIV Payer Report
 RR eIV Response Report
 SR eIV Statistical Report
Select eIV Menu Option:
```

Additional elV Reports can be found under the **Potential New Insurance Found** option on the **elV Menu**.

```
AR eIV Ambiguous Policy Report
IR eIV Inactive Policy Report
Select Potential New Insurance Found Option:
```

9.1 HL7 Response Report

Purpose of this Report

This report is used to capture incoming and outgoing HL7 messages transmitted from a VistA database to the FSC.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

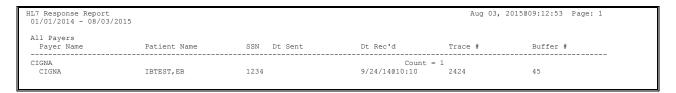
- All or Selected Payers
- Response Received Date Range
- All or Selected Patients

Sort Criteria:

- Payer Name
- Patient Name

This is a 132 column report.

Sample Report



9.2 elV Auto Update Report

Purpose of this Report

This report is used to view the list of patients whose Patient Insurance Information has been updated automatically based on a 271 Response message.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

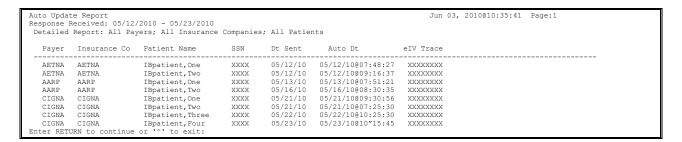
- Summary or Detail
- All or Selected Payers
- Insurance Company Detail or not (only applies to 'Selected Payers')
- Response Received Date Range (Earliest Date Received defaults to 6 months ago; Latest Date Received defaults to current system date.)
- All or Selected Patients (only applies to 'Detailed' version of the report)

Sort Criteria:

- Payer Name
- Patient Name
- Clerk Name

This is a 132 column report, for the 'Detailed' version of the report.

Sample Report



9.3 elV Response Report

Purpose of this Report

This report is used to view the data that was received through the eIV process – receipt of 271 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Response messages.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Response Received Date Range
- Trace #
- All or Selected Payers
- All or Selected Patients
- All Responses or Most Recent (for a payer/patient combination)

Sort Criteria:

Payer or Patient

Sample Report

```
eIV Response Report
Insurance verification responses are received daily.
Please select a date range in which responses were received to view the
associated response detail. Otherwise, select a Trace # to view specific
response detail.
    Select one of the following:
                   Report by Date Range
                   Report by Trace #
Select the type of report to generate: 1// Report by Date Range
Start DATE: T-1 (JUL 09, 2013)
 End DATE: T (JUL 10, 2013)
     Payer or <Return> for All Payers:
 Patient or <Return> for All Patients:
    Select one of the following:
                  All Responses
                  Most Recent Responses
Select the type of responses to display: A// ll Responses
    Select one of the following:
         1
                  Payer Name
                  Patient Name
Select the primary sort field: 1// Payer Name
DEVICE: HOME//
Compiling report data ...
                                              Jul 10, 2013@12:08:38 Page: 1
eIV Response Report
```

Sorted by: Payer Name Responses Displayed: All

07/09/2013 - 07/10/2013 All Payers All Patients

Payer: IBINSURANCE2

Patient: IBINS, ACTIVE (SSN: xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XX/XX/XXXX)

Subscriber: IBINS, ACTIVE
Subscriber ID: XXXXXXXXXX
Subscriber DOB: XX/XX/XXXX

Subscriber SSN: Subscriber Sex:

Group Name: TEST1
Group ID: AET1234

Whose Insurance: 01

Member ID: COB:
Service Date: Date of Death:
Effective Date: 07/01/2001 Certification Date:
Expiration Date: Payer Updated Policy:

Response Date: 07/09/2013 Trace #: XXXXXXXXX

Policy Number:

Subscriber Dates:

 Discharge:
 20010801

 Issue:
 20010715

 COBRA Begin:
 20010501

 COBRA End:
 20010531

Patient Dates:

Plan Begin: 20010701

*** END OF REPORT ***

Below is an example of the error information generated by the Payer or FSC displayed in the Response Report.

```
eIV Response Report by Trace #
                                             May 07, 2013@11:48:22 Page:1
                              Trace #: XXXXXXXXX
  Payer: IBINSURANCE2
Patient: IBPATIENT, ONE (SSN: xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XX/XX/XXXX)
     Subscriber: IBSUB, AAAERROR
  Subscriber ID:
 Subscriber DOB: XX/XX/XXXX
 Subscriber SSN:
                                           Subscriber Sex: M
     Group Name:
       Group ID:
Whose Insurance: VETERAN
                                                           PATIENT
      Member ID:
                                                      COB:
                                    Date of Deatn:
Certification Date:
   Service Date:
 Effective Date:
                                    Payer Updated Policy:
Expiration Date:
  Response Date: 05/02/2013
                                                  Trace #: XXXXXXXXX
ERROR INFORMATION:
Reject Reason Code: 72
Reject Reason Text: Invalid/Missing Subscriber/Insured ID
Action Code: Invalid/Missing Subscriber/Insured ID
HIPAA Loop: Please Correct and Resubmit
HL7 Location: N/A
Error Source: Subscriber Name
```

The Error Source shows the originator of the returned error. "P" = Payer, "F" = FSC.

9.4 eIV Payer Report

Purpose of this Report

This report is used to monitor the communication between VistA and the payers, including the types of error and warning messages that are received by VistA from the different payers.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Inquiry Made Date Range
- All or Selected Payers
- Include Rejection Detail (Yes/No)
- All Responses or Most Recent (for a payer/patient combination)

Sort Criteria:

- Payer Name
- Total Inquiries

This is a 132 column report.

Sample Report

05/04/2010 - 06/03/2010 All Payers						Rejection Detail: Not Included				
Created	Cancel	Queued		r ***** Retry	*** RECEI Good	VED *** Error	AvgResp (Days)	Timeout	Pending	
12	0	0	12	0	12	0	0.00	0	0	
6	0	0	6	1	7	0	0.00	0	0	
12	0	0	12	0	11	1	0.00	0	0	
37	0	0	37	3	28	5	0.00	3	5	
67	0	0	67	4	58	6	0.00	3	5	
	12 6 12 37	Created Cancel 12 0 6 0 12 0 37 0	Created Cancel Queued 12 0 0 6 0 0 12 0 0 37 0 0	All Payers ***** SEN' Created Cancel Queued 1st Att 12 0 0 12 6 0 0 6 12 0 0 12 37 0 0 37	All Payers ***** SENT **** Created Cancel Queued 1st Att Retry 12 0 0 12 0 6 0 0 6 1 12 0 0 12 0 37 0 0 37 3	All Payers ***** SENT ***** **** RECEI Created Cancel Queued 1st Att Retry Good 12 0 0 12 0 12 6 0 0 6 1 7 12 0 0 12 0 11 37 0 0 37 3 28	All Payers ***** SENT **** *** RECEIVED *** Created Cancel Queued 1st Att Retry Good Error 12 0 0 12 0 12 0 6 0 0 6 1 7 0 12 0 0 12 0 11 1 37 0 0 37 3 28 5	All Payers ***** SENT ***** **** RECEIVED *** AvgResp (Days) 12	All Payers ***** SENT ***** **** RECEIVED *** AvgResp (Days) Timeout 12 0 0 12 0 12 0 0.00 0 6 0 0 6 1 7 0 0.00 0 12 0 0 11 1 0.00 0 37 0 0 37 3 28 5 0.00 3	

9.5 Medicare Potential Insurance Worklist - Potential COB Worklist/Report

Purpose of this Report

This report is used to create a list of those patients whom Medicare has identified in a 271 HL7 response message as having insurance subsequent to their Medicare insurance with the following data extracted from the 271 HL7 message when available:

- Patient Name
- Payer Code (primary, secondary, tertiary)
- Name of Insurance Company
- Insurance Company ID
- Review Status (not reviewed, review in process, completed)
- Insurance Company Address
- Insurance Company Phone Number
- Insurance Company Web Address

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Earliest Date 271 HL7 message received
- Latest Date 271 HL7 message received

Sort Criteria

- Chronological Order
- Reverse Chronological Order

Report Format:

- Report
- Screen List (for additional details including screenshot, see in Section 4.3)

Report Type:

- COMPLETED entries ONLY
- COMPLETED entries ONLY with comments
- Exclude COMPLETED entries
- Exclude COMPLETED entries with comments

Sample Medicare COB Report

```
Pt. Secondary Insurance Report Jul 23, 2013@18:02:01 Page: 1
Sort: Chronological Order
                                      06/23/2013 - 07/23/2013
Includes Completed Entries
IB, PATIENT XX/XX/XXXX 2
______
  IBINSURANCE3 \T\ HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.,
   2900 NORTH LOOP W
   SOMEWHERE, TX XXXXX Phone: 9999999999 Website: www.
IBinsurance3
IB, PATIENT XX/XX/XXXX 2
______
  HEALTHSPRING LIFE \T\ HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.,
   2900 NORTH LOOP W
   SOMEWHERE, TX XXXXX Phone: 999999999 Website: www.
IBinsurance3.com
IB, PATIENT XX/XX/XXXX 2
______
  IBINSURANCE3 \T\ HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY, INC.,
   2900 NORTH LOOP W
   SOMEWHERE, TX XXXXX Phone: 999999999
    Website: www. IBinsurance3.com
                                      *** END OF REPORT ***
```

9.5.1 Medicare Potential COB – as a Worklist

User comments are not shown in the Worklist version of the Medicare Potential COB display.

The EE – Expand Entry action is available in **Medicare Potential COB Worklist**.

These following actions are hidden, but available in Medicare Potential COB Worklist:

- + Next Screen
- - Previous Screen
- UP Up a Line
- DN Down a Line
- > Shift view to Right
- < Shift view to Left
- FS First Screen
- LS Last Screen

- GO Go to Page
- RD Re Display Screen
- PS Print Screen
- PL Print List
- SL Search List
- ADPL Auto Display (On/Off)
- QU Quit

Several indicators may be found on the main screen of the worklist:

- Stat Status of the elV Response Record. A "Y" means that the review of the response has been started by someone.
- Following the insurance company name:
 - P the eIV response indicates that the insurance company is the primary insurance
 - S eIV response indicates that the insurance company is the secondary insurance
 - T eIV response indicates that the insurance company is the tertiary insurance

Sample Medicare Potential COB Worklist

```
Medicare Potential COB List Dec 10, 2013@13:47:22 Page: 1 of 1

Sorted in Chronological Order.

---Resp Rcv--Subscriber------DOB------Stat-INS COMPANY-------
03/14/13

1 IB,PATIENT A SR 0150P 01/01/50 Y INSURANCE COMPANY ONE (P)
INSURANCE COMPANY TWO

-----*Exact Match------
EE Expand Entry
Select Action: Quit// EE
```

Once an entry is selected and expanded by using the EE – Expand Entry action, additional actions are available to the user.

Sample Medicare Potential COB Worklist – Expanded Entry

```
Medicare Potential COB List Jan 06, 2014@07:16:26
                                                           Page: 1 of
Patient: IB, PATIENT A SR
                                                                  In Process
Code Payer
     INSURANCE COMPANY ONE
      111 MAIN STREET
      HOUSTON, TX 999991111
      Phone: 1112223333
      Website: www.INSURANCECOMPANYONE.com
      INSURANCE COMPANY TWO
      222 MAIN STREET
      DALLAS, TX 888882222
      Phone: 4445556666
      Website: www.INSURANCECOMPANYTWO.com
      Comments:
      No Comments Entered.
         *Exact Match
CS Change Status AC Add Comments Select Action: Quit//
```

The CS – Change Status action is used to change the status of the record.

The AC – Add Comments action is used to enter comments.

9.5.2 Medicare Potential COB – as a Report

The information displayed on the Medicare Potential COB directly depends on which "Report Type" was selected. The header of the report reflects the selected date range and Report Type.

Sample Medicare Potential COB Report

```
Jul 23, 2013@18:02:01 Page: 1
Pt. Secondary Insurance Report
Sort: Chronological Order
                                            06/23/2013 - 07/23/2013
Includes Completed Entries
IB, PATIENT 03/09/1935 Review Status: Complete
 -----
   INSURANCE COMPANY ONE.,
    111 MAIN STREET
    HOUSTON, TX 999991111
    Phone: 1112223333
    Website: www.INSURANCECOMPANYONE.com
IB, PATIENT 03/09/1935 2
   INSURANCE COMPANY TWO, 222 MAIN STREET
    HOUSTON, TX 999991111
    Phone: 1112223333
    Website: www.INSURANCECOMPANYTWO.com
IB, PATIENT 03/09/1935 2
 ______
   INSURANCE COMPANY THREE,
    333 MAIN STREET
    HOUSTON, TX 999991111
    Phone: 1112223333
    Website: www.INSURANCECOMPANYTHREE.com
                     *** END OF REPORT ***
```

9.6 eIV Statistical Report

Purpose of this Report

This report is used to monitor the eIV process including statistics based on outgoing inquiries, incoming responses, pending responses and queued inquiries, etc.

This report should be monitored on a daily basis as it provides users the ability to detect elV communication problems with the FSC in addition to potential problems in the configuration of the **elV Site Parameters**. It also provides users with a quick view of new elV associated payers and a summary of the insurance buffer entries.

This report is distributed daily as a MailMan message to the members of the mail group that is defined in the **IB Site Parameters**. The MailMan version covers the most recent 24 hours and is based on the default report parameters. The MailMan message is only sent when enabled through the **IB Site Parameters**.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Response Received Date Range
- Trace #
- All or Selected Payers

- All or Selected Patients
- All Responses or Most Recent (for a payer/patient combination)

Sample Report

eIV Statistical Report Jul 19, 2018@14:04:10 Page: 1 Report Timeframe: 07/19/2018 06:00 - 07/19/2018 14:04	
Outgoing Data (Inquiries Sent) 15	
Insurance Buffer 2 Appointment 0 Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) 5 EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification 8 MBI Inquiry 0	
Incoming Data (Responses Received) 15	
Insurance Buffer 2 Appointment 0 Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) 5 EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification 8 MBI Response 0	
Current Status	
Responses Pending: Insurance Buffer Appointment Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification MBI Inquiry Queued Inquiries: Deferred Inquiries: Insurance Companies w/o National ID: Payers Disabled Locally: 0 0 0 723 6 0 723	
Insurance Buffer Entries: 450 User Action Required: 177 # of + entries (Payer indicated Active policy) 102 # of \$ entries (Escalated, Active policy) 1 # of % entries (MBI value received) 0 # of - entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) 15 # of # entries (Policy status undetermined) 33 # of ! entries (eIV needs user assistance for entry) 14 Entries Awaiting Processing: 225 # of ? entries (eIV is waiting for a response) 0 # of blank entries (yet to be processed or accepted) 225	
Payer Activity (During Report Date Range) =========== New eIV Payers received: No new Payers added National Payors - ACTIVE flag changes at ESC:	
National Payers - ACTIVE flag changes at FSC: No information available	
Nationally Active Payers - TRUSTED flag changes at FSC: No information available *** END OF REPORT ***	

9.7 elV Payer Link Report

Purpose of this Report

To be eligible for electronic insurance eligibility communications via the eIV software, participating Insurance Companies must be linked to a payer from the National EDI Payer list. The National EDI Payer list contains the names of the payers that are currently participating with the eIV process.

This report provides information based on the relationship that the users set up in VistA between the insurance companies and the payers. This report can assist with finding insurance companies that are linked to the wrong payer. Also, the report can assist with identifying unlinked insurance companies or payers. Additionally, this report will indicate the payer locally active status.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Payer List or Insurance Company List
- All or Selected Payers
- All or Linked or Unlinked Payers
- Linked Detail or Summary

Sort Criteria:

- Payer Name
- VA National Payer ID
- Nationally Active Status
- Locally Active Status
- # of Linked Insurance Companies

This is a 132 column report.

Sample Report – Payer Link

```
eIV Payer Link Report

Report Option: Payer List
All Payers, With Ins. Co. Detail

'*' indicates the Linked Insurance Company HPID/OEID failed validation checks

National # Linked Nationally Locally FSC Prof. Inst. HPID/
Payer Name:
Payer ID Ins. Co. Active? Active? Trusted? EDI# EDI# OEID

---
CIGNA
123 4 YES YES NO
Linked Insurance Companies:
BLUE CROSS
EATE'S INSURANCE CO.
123 ANYPLACE
MESQUITE, TX
PGBA TRICARE EXTRA CLAIMS
PO BOX NUMBER
SURFSIDE BEACH, SC
TEST-1
DKFJSDF QWFDKHJWEIFO SDAGSDF, NY
MEDICARE WNR
VA123
0 YES YES NO 123 123

*** END OF REPORT ***
```

Sample Report – Insurance Company List

eIV Payer Link Report							May 28, 2015@1	l5:13 Page:
Report Option: Insurance Company '*' indicates the Insurance Compa					ompanies			
	Active Groups				FSC Trusted?		Inst. EDI#	HPID/ OEID
BLUE CROSS 123 HERE SAN FRANCISCO, CIGNA	1 CA 94114	123	YES	YES	NO	1234567890123456	0987654321098	3765
KATE'S INSURANCE CO. 123 ANYPLACE MESQUITE, CIGNA	1 TX 74249	123	YES	YES	NO			
MEDICARE WNR 123 MAIN STR SMALLVILLE ** NOT CURRENTLY LINKED **	1 E, FL 33712	!						
PGBA TRICARE EXTRA CLAIMS Enter RETURN to continue or '^' t	1 to exit:							

9.8 MailMan Summaries

VistA automatically produces a daily MailMan message with a copy of the eIV Statistical Report summarizing the eIV activity for the preceding 24 hours. This mail message will be sent to those in the pre-determined mail group that is designated in the general parameters section of the **IB Site Parameter**.

Sample - elV Statistical Report in MailMan Message

Sample S	Subj: ** eIV Statistical Rpt ** [#13300889] 19 Jul 18 From: INSURANCE IDENTIFICATION & VERIFICATION In 'IN' k	8 14:04 basket. 	43 lines Page 1 *New*
Insurance Buffer 2 Appointment 0 Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) 5 EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification 8 MBI Inquiry 0 Incoming Data (Responses Received) 15			_
Insurance Buffer Appointment 0 Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) 5 EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification 8 MBI Inquiry 0 Incoming Data (Responses Received) 15 ============== Insurance Buffer 2 Appointment 0 Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) 5 EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification 8 MBI Response 0 Current Status ====================================		15	
Insurance Buffer 2 Appointment 2 Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) 5 EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification 8 MBI Response 0 Current Status	Insurance Buffer Appointment Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification		0 5 8
Insurance Buffer		15	
Responses Pending: Insurance Buffer Appointment Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification MBI Inquiry Queued Inquiries: Deferred Inquiries: OINsurance Companies w/o National ID: Insurance Companies w/o National ID: Insurance Buffer Entries: User Action Required: # of + entries (Payer indicated Active policy) # of % entries (Escalated, Active policy) # of entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy	Insurance Buffer Appointment Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification		0 5 8
Responses Pending: Insurance Buffer Appointment Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification MBI Inquiry Queued Inquiries: 0 Deferred Inquiries: 0 Insurance Companies w/o National ID: EIV Payers Disabled Locally: Insurance Buffer Entries: 450 User Action Required: # of + entries (Payer indicated Active policy) # of \$ entries (Escalated, Active policy) # of * entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) # of - entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) # of # entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) # of # entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) # of # entries (Policy status undetermined) # of ! entries (eIV needs user assistance for entry) Entries Awaiting Processing: # of ? entries (eIV is waiting for a response)			
Queued Inquiries: Deferred Inquiries: Insurance Companies w/o National ID: Flag and Inquiries: Olimber Action Required: # of + entries (Payer indicated Active policy) # of \$ entries (Escalated, Active policy) # of \$ entries (MBI value received) # of - entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) # of # entries (Policy status undetermined) # of ! entries (eIV needs user assistance for entry) Entries Awaiting Processing: # of ? entries (eIV is waiting for a response) Output Output	Responses Pending: Insurance Buffer Appointment Electronic Insurance Coverage Discovery (EICD) EICD-Triggered eInsurance Verification	0	0 0 0
User Action Required: # of + entries (Payer indicated Active policy) # of \$ entries (Escalated, Active policy) # of % entries (MBI value received) # of - entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) # of # entries (Policy status undetermined) # of ! entries (eIV needs user assistance for entry) Entries Awaiting Processing: # of ? entries (eIV is waiting for a response) 102 103 104 105 107 108 109 109 109 109 109 109 109	Deferred Inquiries: Insurance Companies w/o National ID:	0 723	
<pre># of - entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) 15 # of # entries (Policy status undetermined) 33 # of ! entries (eIV needs user assistance for entry) 14 Entries Awaiting Processing: 225 # of ? entries (eIV is waiting for a response) 0</pre>	<pre>User Action Required: # of + entries (Payer indicated Active policy) # of \$ entries (Escalated, Active policy)</pre>	450	102 1
# of ? entries (eIV is waiting for a response) 0	<pre># of - entries (Payer indicated Inactive policy) # of # entries (Policy status undetermined) # of ! entries (eIV needs user assistance for entry</pre>	у)	15 33 14
	<pre># of ? entries (eIV is waiting for a response)</pre>	d)	0 225

```
National Payers - ACTIVE flag changes at FSC:
No information available

Nationally Active Payers - TRUSTED flag changes at FSC:
No information available

*** END OF REPORT ***
```

9.9 MailMan Notification to Link Payers

VistA automatically triggers a mailman message on a weekly basis to the IBCNE EIV Message Mail group if the following information is available:

 Total Number of Nationally Active Unlinked Payers with Potential Matches to active insurance companies.

Sample MailMan Notification

9.10 MailMan Notification to Activate Payers

VistA automatically triggers a mailman message on a weekly basis to IBCNE EIV Message Mail group if the following information is available:

- A List of Payers that meet the following criteria:
 - Locally inactive AND
 - Nationally Active AND
 - Have linked insurance companies.

Sample MailMan Notification

9.11 elV Ambiguous Policy Report

Purpose of Report

This report allows users to view ambiguous payer 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Responses. Ambiguous payer responses are those responses that do not have enough information for eIV to safely determine if the policy is active or not active.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Response Received Date Range
- All or Selected Payers
- All or Selected Patients
- All Responses or Most Recent (for a payer/patient combination)

Sort Criteria:

- Payer Name
- Patient Name

Sample Report

```
eIV Ambiguous Policy Report
Please select a date range to view ambiguous policy information that the eIV
process turned up while attempting to discover previously unknown
insurance policies. (Date range selection is based on the date that
eIV receives the response from the payer.)
Start DATE: T-10000 (FEB 22, 1986)
 End DATE: T (JUL 10, 2013)
     Payer or <Return> for All Payers:
 Patient or <Return> for All Patients:
    Select one of the following:
                   All Responses
                  Most Recent Responses
Select the type of responses to display: A// ll Responses
    Select one of the following:
                   Payer Name
         1
                  Patient Name
Select the primary sort field: 1// Payer Name
DEVICE: HOME//
Compiling report data ...
eIV Ambiguous Policy Report
                                              Jul 10, 2013@12:19:19 Page: 1
Sorted by: Payer Name
                                                    Responses Displayed: All
                           02/22/1986 - 07/10/2013
                                  All Payers
                                 All Patients
  Payer: IBINSURANCE2
Patient: IB, PATIENT (SSN: xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XX/XX/XXXX)
     Subscriber: IB, PATIENT
  Subscriber ID: XXXXXXXXX
 Subscriber DOB:
 Subscriber SSN: XX-XXX-XXXX
                                            Subscriber Sex:
     Group Name:
       Group ID:
Whose Insurance:
      Member ID:
                                                      COB:
   Service Date: 11/19/2003
                                            Date of Death:
                                      Certification Date:
 Effective Date:
                                  Payer Updated Policy:
Expiration Date:
  Response Date: 02/17/2004
                                                  Trace #: XXXXXXXXX
```

```
eIV Ambiguous Policy Report

Sorted by: Payer Name

Payer: IBINSURANCE2
Patient: IB, PATIENT (SSN: xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XX/XX/XXXX)

*** END OF REPORT ***
```

9.12 eIV Inactive Policy Report

Purpose of Report

This report displays any inactive insurance policies that the eIV software identified while making 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiries.

Users have the ability to define which inactive policies are included in the report based on the reported policy expiration date. This allows users the ability to search for inactive policies that expired within the payer's filing timeframe.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Response Received Date Range
- All or Selected Payers
- All or Selected Patients
- All Responses or Most Recent (for a payer/patient combination)
- Earliest Possible Expiration Date

Sort Criteria:

Payer or Patient

Sample Report

```
Please select a date range to view inactive policy information that the eIV process turned up while attempting to discover previously unknown insurance policies. (Date range selection is based on the date that eIV receives the response from the payer.)

Start DATE: T-10000 (FEB 22, 1986)
End DATE: T (JUL 10, 2013)

Payer or <Return> for All Payers:

Patient or <Return> for All Patients:

Select one of the following:

A All Responses
Most Recent Responses
```

```
Select the type of responses to display: A// ll Responses
Earliest Policy Expiration Date to Select From: T-365// (JUL 10, 2012)
     Select one of the following:
          1
                    Payer Name
                    Patient Name
Select the primary sort field: 1// Payer Name
DEVICE: HOME//
Compiling report data ...
eIV Inactive Policy Report
                                                  Jul 10, 2013@12:23:57 Page: 1
Sorted by: Payer Name
                                                        Responses Displayed: All
                             02/22/1986 - 07/10/2013
                                    All Payers
                                    All Patients
  Payer: IBINSURANCE2
Patient: Patient, One (SSN: xxx-xx-xxxx DOB: XX/XX/XXXX)
      Subscriber: Patient, One
  Subscriber ID:
  Subscriber DOB:
  Subscriber SSN: XXXXXXXXX Subscriber Sex:
      Group Name:
       Group ID:
 Whose Insurance:
      Member ID:
                                                          COB:
  Service Date: 11/19/2003 Date of Death:

Effective Date: Certification Date: Payer Updated Policy:

Response Date: 02/17/2004 Trace #:
 Effective Date:
 Expiration Date:
                                                      Trace #: XXXXXXXXX
  Payer: IBINSURANCE2
                               *** END OF REPORT ***
```

10 INSURANCE REPORTS

Patch IB*2*528 introduced a menu for Insurance Reports. Multiple insurance-related reports have been gathered under **Insurance Reports** on the **Patient Insurance Menu**.

```
ABUF Insurance Buffer Activity

AU User Edit Report

EBUF Insurance Buffer Employee

GP List Group Plans without Annual Benefits

ID Generate Insurance Company Listings

IN Patients with Unidentified Insurance

INSC Veterans w/Insurance and Inpatient Admissions

IU eIV Patient Insurance Update Report

LC List Inactive Ins. Co. Covering Patients
```

Patches IB*2*525 and IB*2*528 also added the following new reports or modified reports to this menu option:

- List Group Plans without Annual Benefits
- User Edit Report

10.1 List Group Plans without Annual Benefits Report

Purpose of this Report

This report will generate a list of group insurance plans by company without annual benefits for the year requested. The definition of "without" is: either missing year and/or a year (date) is entered but no values within the Annual Benefits have been completed.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Annual Benefit Year
- All or Selected Insurance Companies
- All or Selected Group Plans

Sort Criteria:

- Insurance Company IEN
- Group Plan IEN

This is a 132 column report.

Sample Report

```
GP List Group Plans without Annual Benefits
           This report will generate a list of group insurance plans by company without annual benefits for the year requested. The definition of "without" is: either missing year and/or a year (date) is entered but no values within the AB have been completed.
Select the Annual Benefit Year: 2017// (2017)
           There are 5 insurance companies associated with plans.

    List All 5 Ins. Companies
    List Only Ins. Companies That You Select
    SELECT 1 or 2: 2. List Only Ins. Companies That You Select

           Select a Filter for Insurance Company:
2. Inactive
           SELECT 1 or 2: 1. Active
 There are 5 plans. List all plans for each company? No// NO
           Select a Filter for Group:
1. Active
2. Inactive
SELECT 1 or 2: 1. Active
Select insurance company: TEST-1
NEW YORK Y
                                                                                      DKFJSDF QWFDKHJWEIFO
 NEW YORK Y
Select another insurance company: KATE'S INSURANCE CO. 123 ANYPLACE
     MESOUITE
                                    TEXAS
 Select another insurance company:
Insurance Company # 1: KATE'S INSURANCE CO. ...OK? YES// ...building a list of plans...
# + => Indiv. Plan
Group Name Group Number Type of Plan UR? Ct? ExC? As
KATE'S GROUP K-3900 DENTAL INSURA UNK UNK UNK UNK
Enter ?? for more actions
SP Select Plan(s): (1-1): 1
Would you like to select any other plans? NO//
Insurance Company # 2: TEST-1
    ...OK? YES// ...building a list of plans...
                                                   TEST-1 Phone: <not filed>
DKFUSDF QWFDKHJWEIFO Precerts: <not filed>
DXFUSDF NY 12233
Insurance Plan Lookup May 21, 2015@14:44:54 All Active Plans for: TEST-1
| DRFJSDF QWFDKHJWEIFO | Precerts: <not filed | SDAGSDF, NY 12233 | | + => Indiv. Plan | Group Name | GROUP 1 TEST | TEST-1212 | Enter ?? for more actions | S | Select PlanSelect Action: Quit// SP | Select Plan (S): (1-1): 1 | Would you like to select any other plans? NO// | Precerts: <not filed | SDAGSDF, NY 12233 | Precent | Precent
 (E)xcel Format or (R)eport Format: Report//
There is 1 insurance company associated with group plans without annual benefits.
 Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
 *** You will need a 132 column printer for this report. ***
DEVICE: HOME// ;132 UCX/TELNET
LIST OF GROUP PLANS BY INSURANCE COMPANY WITHOUT ANNUAL BENEFITS Benefit Year Selected: 2017
INSURANCE COMPANY NAME: TEST-1 PHONE:
DKFJSDF QWFDKHJWEIFO PRECERT PHONE:
                                 SDAGSDF, NY 12233
                                  TYPE OF COVERAGE GROUP NAME GROUP NUMBER ACTIVE/INACTIVE LAST PERSON TO EDIT TYPE OF PLAN

GROUP 1 TEST TEST-1212 ACTIVE IBUSER, ONE MEDICARE SECO
                                                                                                                                            TEST-1212 ACTIVE IBUSER, ONE MEDICARE SECO
WILL REIMBURSE
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
```

10.2 User Edit Report

Purpose of this Report

This report is captures all of the Creates, Edits, and Deletes done by specific users in the following files:

- Insurance Company File (#36)
- Group Plan File (#355.3)
- Coverage File (#355.32)
- Annual Benefits File (355.4)

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Insurance Company (multiple select)
- Group Plan (multiple select)
- Date Range
- User ID (one, multiple, all)

Sort Criteria:

User

Sample Report

```
Insurance Company Selection:
1. Report User Edits for all 6 Insurance Companies
2. Report User Edits for selected Insurance Companies
ENTER 1 or 2: 2 Report Insurance Companies that are selected
 Group Plan Selection:
Do you want to report any edits made to Group Plans (Y/N)? YES

1. Report User Edits for all Group Insurance Plans

2. Report User Edits for selected Group Insurance Plans

ENTER 1 or 2: 2 Report Group Insurance Plans that are selected

Select Insurance Company: BLUE CROSS 911 STREET SAN FRAN
CALIFORNIA Y
Select another Insurance Company:
Insurance Company # 1: BLUE CROSS
    ...OK? YES//
           \ldotsbuilding a list of plans\ldots
                                                                                                    Sep 14, 2015@12:26:10 Page: 1 of
 Insurance Plan Lookup
| This property | This propert
                                        Enter ?? for more actions
 SP Select Plan
or Select Plan
Select Action: Quit// SP Select Plan
Select Plan(s): (1-1): 1
Would you like to select any other plans? NO//
User Selection:
1. All User IDs
2. Select One or Multiple User IDs
ENTER 1 or 2: 2 Specified Users
Select NEW PERSON NAME: IBUSER, ONE
     Is IBUSER, ONE the one you want? YES// \,
 Select NEW PERSON NAME:
 Start date: 5/13 (MAY 13, 2015)
End date: 6/12 (JUN 12, 2015)
Export to Microsoft Excel (Y/N): ? NO//
 *** You will need a 132 column printer for this report. ***
```

DEVI	CE: HOME// ;132					
	USER EDIT REPORT Insurance Company		Group	Name		Aug 04, 2015@12:51:39 Page: 1
	User	Date/Time of Chan	ge	Modified Field	Previous Value of Data	Modified Value of Data
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE			CROSS OF CA DATE ENTERED	COVERED	NOT COVERED
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE	5/13/15@15:47:43	BLUE	CROSS OF CA BENEFIT YEAR BEGINNING ON	NOT COVERED	COVERED
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE	5/15/15@15:06:28		CROSS OF CA DATE ENTERED	COVERED	
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE			CROSS OF CA DATE ENTERED	MAY 22, 2015@12:23:37	
Ente	r RETURN to continue	or '^' to exit:				
-	USER EDIT REPORT					Aug 04, 2015@12:51:39 Page:
52	Insurance Company		Group	Name		
	User	Date/Time of Chan	ge	Modified Field	Previous Value of Data	Modified Value of Data
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE	5/15/15@15:06:28	BLUE	CROSS OF CA BENEFIT YEAR BEGINNING ON	LONG TERM CARE	
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE			CROSS OF CA BENEFIT YEAR BEGINNING ON	<no previous="" value=""></no>	COVERED
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE	5/18/15@14:14:53	BLUE	CROSS OF CA DATE ENTERED	<no previous="" value=""></no>	OUTPATIENT
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE	5/18/15@14:14:53	BLUE	CROSS OF CA ENTERED BY	<no previous="" value=""></no>	DEC 31, 2015
Ente	r RETURN to continue	or '^' to exit:				
eIV 53	USER EDIT REPORT					Aug 04, 2015@12:51:39 Page:
	Insurance Company		Group	Name		
	Üser	Date/Time of Chan	ge 	Modified Field	Previous Value of Data	Modified Value of Data
_	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE			CROSS OF CA BENEFIT YEAR BEGINNING ON	<no previous="" value=""></no>	COVERED
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE	6/12/15@09:51:43	BLUE	CROSS OF CA DATE ENTERED	<no previous="" value=""></no>	PHARMACY
	BLUE CROSS IBUSER, ONE			CROSS OF CA ENTERED BY	<no previous="" value=""></no>	DEC 31, 2015
	OF REPORT r RETURN to continue	or '^' to exit:				

11 EXPORTING REPORTS TO EXCEL

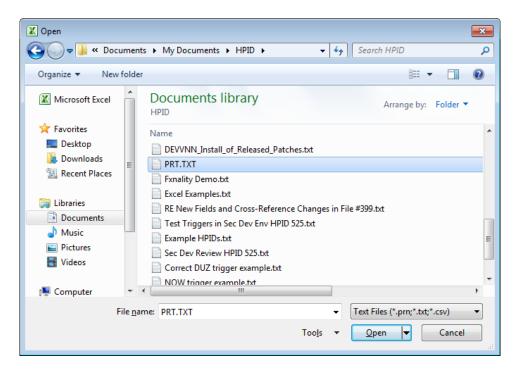
Patch IB*2*528 added the ability to output reports in a format that can be opened by Excel.

Step	Procedure
1	Run the report of your choice.
2	At the format prompt, choose Excel .

A screen similar the following will be displayed:

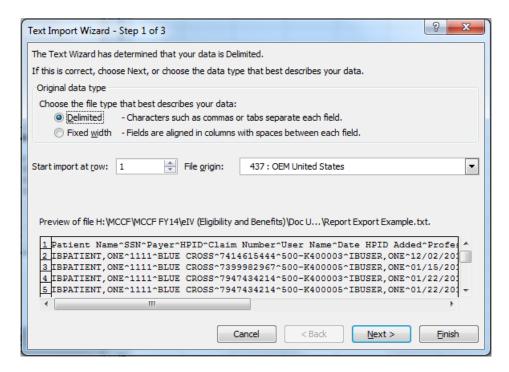
```
Patient Name^SSN^Payer^HPID^Claim Number^User Name^Date HPID Added^Professional ID^Institutional ID
IBPATIENT, ONE^1111^BLUE CROSS^7414615444^500-
K400003^IBUSER,ONE^12/02/2014^123456789012345678901234567890^0987654321098765432109
87654321
IBPATIENT, ONE^1111^BLUE CROSS^7399982967^500-
K400005^IBUSER,ONE^01/15/2015^123456789012345678901234567890^0987654321098765432109
87654321
IBPATIENT, ONE^1111^BLUE CROSS^7947434214^500-
K400003^IBUSER,ONE^01/22/2015^123456789012345678901234567890^0987654321098765432109
87654321
IBPATIENT, ONE^1111^BLUE CROSS^7947434214^500-
K400005^IBUSER,ONE^01/22/2015^123456789012345678901234567890^0987654321098765432109
87654321
IBPATIENT, ONE^1111^BLUE CROSS^7467061371^500-
K400003^IBUSER,ONE^01/23/2015^123456789012345678901234567890^0987654321098765432109
87654321
IBPATIENT, ONE^1111^BLUE CROSS^7947434214^500-
K400005^IBUSER,ONE^02/05/2015^123456789012345678901234567890^0987654321098765432109
87654321
65432109876543210987654321
IBPATIENT, TWO^9341^BLUE CROSS^7444643416^500-K400008^IBUSER, ONE^02/09/2015^123456789012345678901234567890^0987
65432109876543210987654321
IBPATIENT, TWO^9341^BLUE CROSS^7908996151^500-K400008^IBUSER, ONE^02/09/2015^123456789012345678901234567890^0987
65432109876543210987654321
Enter RETURN to continue or '^' to exit:
```

Step	Procedure
3	Capture the output as a text file. Note: This step will depend on the terminal emulation application being used.
4	Open Excel and select the From Text button from the Get External Data group on the Data tab



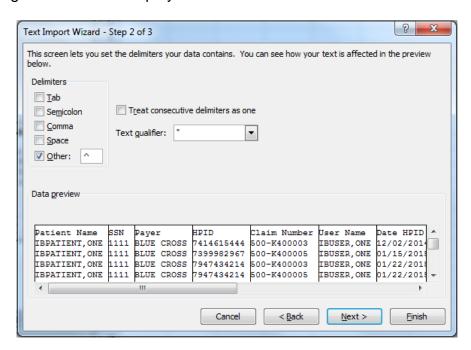
Step	Procedure
5	Open the text file saved in step 3.

The following screen will be displayed.



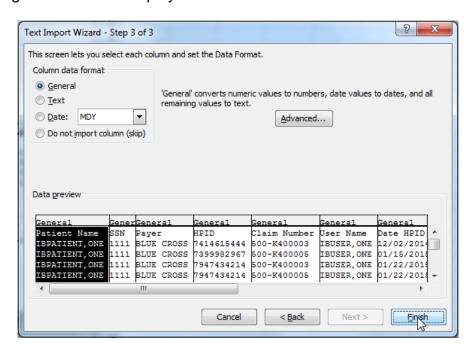
Step	Procedure
6	Choose Delimited and press Next .

The following screen will be displayed.



Step	Procedure
7	Deslect the Tab Delimiter box. Choose Other for the delimiter.
8	Type ^ in the box next to the Other and press Next .

The following screen will be displayed.



Step	Procedure
9	Apply any special formatting.
10	Press the Finish button.
11	Depending on your version of Excel an Import Data dialog may display. If it
	does, select the New worksheet and OK .
12	Save the Excel file.

12 SCHEDULE/UNSCHEDULE MAILMAN MESSAGES

This existing feature allows users to schedule and unscheduled MailMan messages to their preference. Both Activate Payer and Link Payer messages can be scheduled using this one option "IBCNE EIV PAYER LINK NOTIFY" option. Note: This option is controlled by IRM access only.

The following screens will be displayed:

```
Edit Option Schedule
Option Name: IBCNE EIV PAYER LINK NOTIFY
Menu Text: Unlinked payers notification

QUEUED TO RUN AT WHAT TIME: MMM DD, YYYY@HH:MM

DEVICE FOR QUEUED JOB OUTPUT:

QUEUED TO RUN ON VOLUME SET:

RESCHEDULING FREQUENCY: 7D

TASK PARAMETERS:

SPECIAL QUEUEING: < This field is only for special jobs:

1. That need to start every time the system is rebooted.

2. Need to be persistent.

3. BOTH >

MAIL CODE:
```

13 REAL TIME INSURANCE VERIFICATION INQUIRY

A real time eligibility verification inquiry is created when a new buffer entry has been entered in the file 355.33 (INSURANCE BUFFER). The inquiry is triggered immediately if the following information is available in the buffer entry:

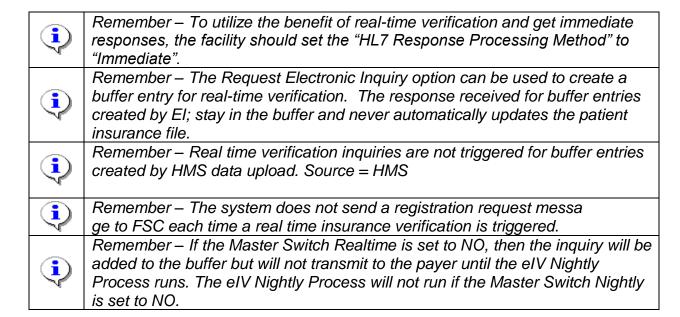
- INSURANCE COMPANY NAME,
- PATIENT NAME,
- SUBSCRIBER ID (if patient is the subscriber),
- INSURED'S DOB (if patient is not the subscriber), and
- PATIENT ID (if patient is not the subscriber)

No inquiry will be created if:

- An inquiry already exists in the queue waiting to be transmitted.
- The same patient and policy is waiting for a response from the payer.
- The patient insurance information is locked by another user.
- The Master Switch Realtime is set to NO.

Real time inquiry is triggered by modifications to the following fields in file #355.33 (INSURANCE VERIFICATION PROCESSOR):

- INSURANCE COMPANY NAME; or
- GROUP NAME; or
- GROUP NUMBER; or
- PATIENT NAME; or
- SUBSCRIBER ID: or
- INSURED'S DOB; or
- PATIENT ID



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14 PURGING EIV FILES (IRM USERS)

14.1 Purge Transmission Queue and or Response File

IRM users have the ability to purge files from the IIV TRANSMISSION QUEUE file (#365.1) and IIV RESPONSE file (#365) beyond a date range. The **Purge elV Transactions** option is on the **Purge Menu** which is on the **System Manager's Integrated Billing Menu**.

Step	Procedure
1	Access the IRM System Manager's Integrated Billing Menu.
2	Access the Purge Menu .
3	Access the Purge elV Transactions option.
i	Note: purged data can fill journal files if the files are not purged routinely. It may be a good idea to temporarily disable journaling of the global that includes the IIV TRANSMISSION QUEUE (#365.1) and IIV RESPONSE (#365) files prior to running the purge if the files have not be purged in a long time.
i	The Purge eIV Transactions option is locked with the XUMGR security key.

The following screen will be displayed:

Purge Electronic Insurance Identification and Verification (IIV) Data Files

This option will allow you to purge data from the IIV Response File (#365) and the IIV Transmission Queue File (#365.1). The data must be at least six months old before it can be purged. Only insurance transactions that have a transmission status of "Response Received", "Communication Failure", or "Cancelled" may be purged. You will be allowed to select a date range for this purging. The default beginning date will be the date of the oldest eligible record in the system. The default ending date will be six months ago from today's date. You may modify this default date range. However, you may not select an ending date that is more recent than six months ago.

Enter the purge begin date: 10/04/2004// 3/8/09 (MAR 8, 2009)

Enter the purge end date: 04/08/2009// (APR 08, 2009)

You want to purge all IIV data created between 03/08/2004 and 04/08/2009.

OK to continue? NO//

Step	Procedure
4	At the Enter the Purge Begin Date: prompt, enter 6 Months plus 30 days for
	this example.
5	At the Enter the Purge End Date: prompt, press RETURN to accept the
	default.
6	At the OK to continue: prompt, enter YES .
i	Note: Files that are not older than six months cannot be purged.

14.2 Purge Mailman Reminder

On the first day of each month, during the nightly batch extract process, the eIV application determines if historical data exists that is eligible to be purged. The process utilizes the same search criteria used by the **Purge eIV Transactions** utility described above. If at least one eligible eIV transaction exists, the mail group defined in the **General Parameters** section of the **IB Site Parameters** will receive the following MailMan reminder.

```
Subj: IIV Data Eligible for Purge [#13511224] 11/06/03@17:37 13 lines
From: IB IIV INTERFACE In 'IN' basket. Page 1
Subject: IIV Data Eligible for Purge
ATTENTION IRM: There are IIV TRANSMISSION QUEUE and
IIV RESPONSE records eligible to be purged.
                             Eligible Total
File
 Count Count
                               267 1993
331 2400
IIV RESPONSE FILE (#365)
IIV TRANSMISSION QUEUE FILE (#365.1)
Total
                               598
                                      4393
Please run option IBCNE PURGE IIV DATA - Purge IIV Transactions,
if you would like to purge the eligible records.
```

15 INTERFACILITY INSURANCE UPDATE ACTIVITY REPORT

The IB*2*528 patch added the automated ability to check information and share it between VA Medical Systems. If Interfacility Insurance Updates are active for your site, use the following steps to share that updated subscriber information with other treating sites.

The Interfacility Insurance Update Activity report can be run by picking the **IFIU** option from the **Patient Insurance Menu (PI)**.

```
PI Patient Insurance Info View/Edit
VP View Patient Insurance
EI Insurance Company Entry/Edit
VI View Insurance Company
BI Process Insurance Buffer
EIV eIV Menu ...
EPH e-Pharmacy Menu ...
EPR Insurance Company EDI Parameter Report
ID Generate Insurance Company Listings
IFIU Interfacility Ins Update Activity Report
INSR Insurance Reports ...
```

Purpose of Report

This report lists the Interfacility Insurance Updates sent and received by a facility.

Report Parameters

Search Criteria:

- Date Range
- Sending or Receiving Facility

Sort Criteria:

- Date
- Facility

Report Views:

- Summary
- Detail

This is a 132 column report.

Sample Report - Interfacility Insurance Update Activity Report Summary

Sample Report - Interfacility Insurance Update Activity Report by Detail

Interfacility Ins Update Activity Report 01/01/2015 - 04/13/2015 Sending Site					Apr 13, 2015@14	:15:13 Page: 1
Patient	PAT ID #	Insurance Company	Subscriber ID #	COB COB	Sending Facility	Date Sent
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	BLUE CROSS	SUBID-0987624	P	ALEXANDRIA, LA	01/22/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	MEDICARE WNR	SUBID-0987624	P	ALEXANDRIA, LA	01/22/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	BLUE CROSS	SUBID-0987624	P	ANN ARBOR, MI	01/22/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	MEDICARE WNR	SUBID-0987624	P	ANN ARBOR, MI	01/22/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	BLUE CROSS	SUBID-0987624	P	ATLANTA, GA	01/22/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	MEDICARE WNR	SUBID-0987624	P	ATLANTA, GA	01/22/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	BLUE CROSS			ALEXANDRIA, LA	04/07/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	MEDICARE WNR			ALEXANDRIA, LA	04/07/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	BLUE CROSS			ANN ARBOR, MI	04/07/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	MEDICARE WNR			ANN ARBOR, MI	04/07/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	BLUE CROSS			ATLANTA, GA	04/07/15
IB, PATIENT A SR	0150	MEDICARE WNR			ATLANTA, GA	04/07/15
		*** END OF REPORT	***			

16 APPENDIX A - EIV TROUBLESHOOTING

16.1 No elV Inquiries Transmitted

If the **Inquiries Sent** and **Responses Received** entries on the **elV Statistical Report** both remain at zero while the **Queued Inquiries** entry on the report continues to increase over a period of time, then no 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiry transmissions are being sent to FSC. If this situation continues and both the **Inquiries Sent** and **Responses Received** entries remain at zero, there is a communications problem with FSC. This section provides information to restore connectivity to FSC.

The eIV Statistical report should be reviewed the following day to ensure that 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiry transmissions are once again being sent to FSC.

16.1.1 Site Parameters

- Verify MCCR Site Parameters
 - Check General Parameters
 - Messages Mailgroup must be: IBCNE EIV MESSAGE
 - IBCNE EIV MESSAGE mail group must be populated with valid personnel
 - Contact Person Name, Number and Email address must be valid
 - Check eIV Site Parameters
 - Mail Group for elV Messages must be: IBCNE ElV MESSAGE IBCNE ElV MESSAGE mail group must be populated with valid personnel
 - Contact Person name must be valid

16.1.2 Restoring Connectivity to FSC (IRM)

- Verify that the names of the HL7 Logical Links were not changed. It must be IIV
- Verify the following settings for the HL7 Logical Link IIV EC
 - The institution field is blank
 - The domain field is set to IIV.VITRIA-EDI.AAC.VA.GOV
 - The AUTOSTART field is set to enabled
 - The TCP/IP address is set to 10.224.187.133
 - o The TCP/IP Port is set to 5100
 - Verify that the HL7 Logical Link IIV EC is running
- Ask the IB Supervisor or insurance personnel to review the elV Statistical Report the following day and confirm that connectivity has been restored with FSC
- If this does not resolve the connectivity issue with FSC for eIV, ask the IB Supervisor or insurance personnel to log a Remedy Ticket with VA Product Support

16.1.3 Requeue Batch Process (IRM)

- Verify the IBCNE IIV BATCH PROCESS taskman is still running
 - o Reschedule the IBCNE IIV BATCH PROCESS task

16.1.4 Restart HL7 Logical Link (IRM)

- Verify the IIV EC HL7 logical link is running
- Stop & Restart IIV EC HL7 logical link

16.2 No link between an Insurance Company and a Payer

For eIV to work, insurance companies must be linked to a payer. This is an important on-going process. To link insurance companies to a payer follow the basic guidelines listed below:

- Run the elV Payer Link Report option by Insurance Company List, for all
 unlinked insurance companies. Use the keyword feature when running the report
 to narrow down the search. This will provide a report showing which insurance
 companies, whose name contains the keyword, that are not linked to a payer.
- Next, use the Insurance Company Entry/Edit option to link those insurance companies to the correct payer.

16.3 A Buffer or Appointment Extract Entry Failed to Create an Inquiry

When the eIV process is unable to create and transmit a 270 Health Care Eligibility Benefits Inquiry to a payer, the entry in **Process Insurance Buffer** will be flagged with an exclamation point. To view the error or problem that eIV encountered, expand the buffer entry using the **Expand Entry** action. Underneath the section **Buffer Entry Information**, the error message will be displayed as the **Current eIV Status**. Read the explanation of the problem. Sometimes there is more than one way to correct the problem. For a possible solution, follow the instructions listed below for the specific error. These instructions usually start with, **Action to take**.

For a list of all Error Messages that may display as the **Current elV Status** of an insurance buffer entry, see Appendix B.

17 APPENDIX B - EIV ERROR MESSAGE DESCRIPTIONS

1. **elV could not create an inquiry for this entry.** elV could not match the insurance company name in the Insurance Buffer file (#355.33) to a valid insurance company name in the Insurance Company file (#36).

Action to take: Correct the spelling of the insurance company name found in the buffer so that it matches one found in the Insurance Company file (#36). Otherwise, contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

2. **elV could not create an inquiry for this entry.** elV matched the insurance company name in the Insurance Buffer file (#355.33) to more than one uniquely named insurance company in the Insurance Company file (#36). This indicates that the Auto Match check or the Synonym check yielded multiple insurance companies from the Insurance Company file.

Action to take: Correct the spelling of the insurance company name found in the buffer so that it matches one found in the Insurance Company file (#36). Otherwise, contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information. (* Advanced users: Use the option "Enter/Edit Auto Match Entries" to check the entries in the Auto Match file (#365.11). Make sure there is no more than one entry in the Auto Match file, if any, which corresponds to the insurance company name found in this buffer entry.)

3. **elV could not create an inquiry for this entry.** elV matched the insurance company name in the Insurance Buffer file (#355.33) to more than one insurance company entry with the same name in the Insurance Company file (#36). At least one of these matching entries are linked to a different payer.

Action to take: Run the "elV Payer Link Report" option by Insurance Company List, for all linked insurance companies, using the keyword feature to narrow down the search. This will provide a report showing which payer the different insurance company records are linked to. Next, use the "Insurance Company Entry/Edit" option to correct those insurance companies who are linked to the wrong payer.

4. **elV could not create an inquiry for this entry.** There is no link for this insurance company between the Insurance Company file (#36) and the Payer file (365.12). This may occur because the insurance staff did not attempt to manually link the named insurance company to the payer list or the insurance staff did not find a payer in the payer list that they wanted to link this insurance company to.

Action to take: Either contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information or link the insurance company to a payer. Steps to link an insurance company to a payer are as follows: run the "elV Payer Link Report" option by Insurance Company List, for all unlinked insurance companies. Use the keyword feature when running the report to narrow down the search. This will provide a report showing which insurance companies are not linked to a payer. Next, use the "Insurance Company Entry/Edit" option to link those insurance companies to the correct payer.

5. **elV could not create an inquiry for this entry.** The payer is not nationally active for elV.

Action to take: Contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

6. **elV could not create an inquiry for this entry.** The payer is not locally active for elV.

Action to take: Either use the option "Payer Edit (Activate/Inactivate)" to locally activate this payer or contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

7. **elV could not create an inquiry for this entry.** The payer does not accept electronic insurance eligibility requests. The elV application data does not exist in the Payer file (#365.12) for this payer.

Action to take: Contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

8. Information received via electronic inquiry indicates patient has active insurance.

Action to take: Review the details listed in the elV Response Report before processing this buffer entry.

9. Information received via electronic inquiry indicates patient does NOT have active insurance.

Action to take: Review the details listed in the eIV Response Report before processing this buffer entry.

10. This buffer entry is currently being processed by the elV application. Unless instructed otherwise, there is no reason you should do anything with this buffer entry.

Action to take: None.

11. The electronic response indicated an error of some kind that needs to be corrected before the insurance inquiry can be re-transmitted.

Action to take: Contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

12. An unknown and unforeseen error has occurred with this entry.

Action to take: Please call the Help Desk for this issue; include a trace number if available.

13. elV could not create an inquiry for this entry. The insurance company found is listed as inactive in the Insurance Company file (#36).

Action to take: Contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

14.elV could not create an inquiry for this entry. elV cannot send inquiries to Medicaid).

Action to take: Contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

15.elV was unable to electronically verify this insurance information due to a communication failure.

Action to take: Contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

16. The insurance company name for this buffer entry is blank.

Action to take: Please call the Help Desk and provide them with buffer information and trace number, if available.

17.elV could not create an inquiry for this entry. The payer associated with this insurance company has been deactivated.

Action to take: Either edit this insurance company and link it to another payer, using the "Insurance Company Entry/Edit" option; otherwise, contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

18. elV could not create an inquiry for this entry. This inquiry requires the Subscriber ID field to be populated before an inquiry can be transmitted electronically.

Action to take: Update the inquiry with the missing Subscriber ID or contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

21. An ambiguous response has been received. It could NOT be determined whether the insurance company identified the patient as an active member of the insurance plan. Please contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

Action to take: Review the details listed in the **eIV Response Report** and contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

22. While processing a payer response, an unknown and unforeseen error has occurred with this entry.

Action to take: Please call the Help Desk for this issue; include a trace number if available. A user may process this buffer entry if a Help Desk call has been logged with the associated trace number. To process this buffer entry, review the details listed in the **elV Response Report** and contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

23. elV could not create an inquiry for this entry. This dependant inquiry requires the Patient ID field to be populated before an inquiry can be transmitted electronically.

Action to take: Update the inquiry with the missing Patient ID or contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

24.elV was unable to electronically verify this insurance information due to a communication failure.

Action to take: Contact the insurance company to manually verify this insurance information.

25. Information received via electronic inquiry indicates patient has active insurance; however, another verifier did not have the authority to process this entry.

Action to take: Review the details listed in the eIV Response Report before processing this buffer entry.

Note: Error messages 26 and 27 intentionally omitted.

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18 APPENDIX C - ACRONYMS/ABBREVIATIONS/TERMS

Term	Definition
AITC	Austin Information Technology Center.
EC	Eligibility Communicator – this refers to the National Health
	Insurance database that is housed at the FSC. The eIV software
	communicates with the Eligibility Communicator directly through
	HL7.
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange.
elV	Electronic Insurance Verification. It is also the Insurance buffer
	entry source name in the Insurance Buffer List to signal entry
	processing by Electronic Insurance Verification.
Freshness Days	FRESHNESS DAYS (#350.9,51.01) is a general site parameter that
	determines how recent the insurance verification must be before elV
	seeks to electronically re-verify it.
FSC	VA Financial Services Center – Austin, TX.
HL7	Health Level Seven, a standardized application level
	communications protocol that enables systems to exchange
	information.
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization.
HPID	Health Plan Identifier
IIV	Insurance Identification and Verification. This nomenclature was
	used during initial software development. The official title of the
	software is now eIV, although some programming options are still
	labeled with the old IIV nomenclature.
Insurance Buffer	The data store within the VistA database that holds proposed
	permanent insurance file changes for review and acceptance and
	upon acceptance, merges the changes into the permanent
	insurance files. The IBCN Insurance Buffer Process option available
IRM	in VistA is also known as Process Insurance Buffer.
MailMan	Information Resource Management. MailMan is an integrated data channel in VistA for the distribution of:
IVIAIIIVIAII	Patches (KIDS builds), software releases (KIDS builds), computer-
	to-computer communications (HL7 transfers, Servers, etc.), Person-
	to-person messaging (Email).
MCCF	Medical Care Cost Fund.
MCCR	Medical Care Cost Recovery. This term has been officially replaced
	by MCCF though both are used interchangeably.
OEID	Other Entity Identifer
Payer	An entity that makes third party payments (the patient is the first
	party, VHA is the second party) for health care services. Health care
	insurance companies are payers.
Provider	A term used to describe both human and organizational entities that
	provide health care.
SRS	Software Requirements Specification.
SSVI	System Shared Verified Insurance
Trusted Payer	A payer whose responses, the FSC determines can be used for
	Automatic Updates. It is also referred to as the Automatic Update

Term	Definition	
	Setting.	
VA	Veterans Administration.	
VAMC	Veterans Administration Medical Center.	
VHA	Veterans Health Administration.	
VISN	Veterans Integrated Service Network.	
VistA	Veterans Health Information Systems & Technology Architecture, which includes the systems formerly known as the Decentralized Hospital Computer Program (DHCP) System.	
WNR	Will not reimburse.	
X12	A standardized application level communications protocol that enables systems to exchange information.	