

TIMELY FILING

43 CFR §447.45 (d) allows states to set timely filing requirements not to exceed a one year time frame from the date of service. States vary in their requirements ranging from 60 days after the date of service to 365 days after the date of service. South Dakota is one of many states with a 6 month timely filing requirement.

Claims data is used for the following purposes:

- Budgeting and budget forecasting. Note: The state must budget for federal expenditures and seek authority from the State Legislature for federal expenditures.
- Reporting health information and statistics such as HEDIS measures and CMS 416 Report.
- Determining eligibility for the South Dakota Medicaid Health Homes Program.
- Service limits.
- Coverage decisions and price change recommendations.

Timely filing allows the state to make decisions using the most recent and most relevant claims data available.

SOUTH DAKOTA TIMELY FILING ADMINISTRATIVE RULE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

67:16:35:04. Time limits for submission of claims. The department must receive a provider's completed claim form within six months following the month the service was provided. This time limit may be waived or extended only if one or more of the following situations exist:

- (1) The claim is an adjustment or void of a previously paid claim and is received within three months after the previously paid claim;
- (2) The claim is received within six months after a retroactive initial eligibility determination was made as a result of an appeal;
- (3) The claim is received within three months after a previously denied claim;
- (4) The claim is received within six months after the provider receives payment from Medicare or private health insurance or receives a notice of denial from Medicare or private health insurance; or
- (5) To correct an error made by the department.

CY2018 Indian Health Service and Tribal 638 Claims

523,074 original claims submitted in 2018 by Indian Health Service or Tribal 638 Providers

- Total Paid = 405,950 (77%)
- Total Denied = 117,124 (23%)
 - Total Denied related to Timely Filing = 3,750 (<1%)
 - Total Denied for All Other Reasons = 113,374 (22%)

DSS can offer technical assistance for tribal providers and IHS to assist with resolving claim denials.

2018 IHS and Tribal Claims

