

SNIP Validation Rules Implementation

In an ongoing effort to further EDI claims receipt infrastructure, Dean Health Plan is implementing SNIP Compliance checks. We are currently implementing the first four levels and adding additional levels throughout the remainder of the year.

The Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange recommended the creation of collaborative industry partners which formed the Strategic National Implementation Process (SNIP), which in turn devised industry standard levels of electronic compliance. There are seven levels of complexity. We are currently implementing the levels below:

SNIP Levels:

1. Integrity testing: Testing for valid EDI syntax for each type of transaction.
2. Requirement testing: Testing for HIPAA-specific syntax. This tests that the transaction sets adhere to the HIPAA implementation guides.
3. Balancing: Testing of the transaction for balanced field totals, financial balancing of claims or remittance advice, and balancing of summary fields.
4. Situation testing: Testing of specific inter-segment situations as defined in the implementation guide, where if A occurs, then B must be populated.

This implementation is expected to be fully implemented by the end of this summer. Your provider services representative will be able to provide additional details and go live dates as they become available. Once live, you can expect any claim file submissions that are rejected due to SNIP level compliance to be returned to you or and will populate your error reports.

For additional information on SNIP level compliance checks, please see:

- [cms.gov](https://www.cms.gov)
- [wedi.org](https://www.wedi.org)