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Work in Progress

There are significant changes coming in the near future that will accommodate all users. At the same time, other upgrades will assist users of specific applications and technology. The following changes are being implemented as part of HDSI's continuous maintenance program, with the purpose of supplying the best in class solutions to our customers.

Redesigned Menus

All users are acutely familiar with HDSI's menu structure. While the current menus are still convenient, HDSI is adding functionality to the way you access our applications. We have seen changes to the printer selection menu recently that integrate the arrow keys into the menu selection process. That concept will also be used with the implementation of the improved menu structure.

Following the input of a login, the user will be prompted to enter a user name followed by a password to access one or more facilities. Depending on security, what follows next will either be the HDSI Main Menu or the Facility Selection Menu.

With the use of dialogue boxes, the user will access facilities or programs by selecting an item on the screen with their arrow keys. As the user depresses the up and down arrow keys, they will highlight a different selection on their menu. When the desired selection is highlighted, the user will depress the Return (Enter) key to complete the selection process. When the need arises to work on another facility, the user will simply return to the Facility Selection Menu, highlight another facility and continue on.

By simplifying the security file, HDSI is able to maintain individual security across the entire enterprise rather than by individual facility, and still allow three levels of security. HDSI will be notify you as we move closer to the implementation of the new menu structure and will be scheduling in-services with all clients to demonstrate the use of the new menus.

ANSI 837 Testing

As we continue on course for the October 16, 2003 deadline for Electronic Health Care Transactions and Code Sets, HDSI is half way through the testing process. In the months ahead, HDSI will finish the testing process and notify those customers who take advantage of Electronic Medicare Claims Transmission.

The Time Clock Reloaded

As customers desire more innovative solutions, HDSI has begun to develop applications for a biometric time clock. In this case, HDSI is using a clock that will measure the dimensions of an employee's hand. This, cross checked against a Personal Identification Number (PIN) entered at the clock, will validate the employee. With the use of HDSI's Biometric Time Clock, the issues of buddy-punching and lost or forgotten badges are eliminated. Look forward to more information regarding the implementation of this new technology.

If you have any questions about these advancements, please contact HDSI today, at (847) 398-0000, and see what benefits can be found today by taking advantage of tomorrow's technology.