Evaluate potential risk with our robust EDGE server solutions

Watson Health can help support your ACA compliance requirements:
- Data for EDGE server requirements
- Reinsurance and risk adjustment compliance
- Initial validation audit of EDGE claims
- Cost-sharing reduction reconciliations
- Discrepancy reporting
- CMS audit requests

Features and benefits
- Fulfills HHS EDGE server requirements
- Helps you reduce your staff burden
- Helps you proactively evaluate your risk

To comply with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Premium Stabilization Program’s Reinsurance and Risk Adjustment (RARI) requirements, all health plans offering ACA-compliant small group and individual plans—on and off the exchange—must comply with Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) EDGE server technical specifications: All plans must submit enrollment and claims data to an EDGE server and allow HHS to run reports against each plan’s data to develop RARI calculations.

Complete EDGE data submissions and accurate risk scores are important to a health plan’s bottom line. Plans that don’t meet EDGE server requirements will face substantial penalties and lose premium dollars. A health plan’s risk score—relative to the state market average—drives their risk-adjustment payment transfers: Plans that don’t accurately reflect their member’s risk will make transfer payments to issuers who do.

IBM® Watson Health™ offers comprehensive EDGE services to help you unburden your staff and assist with everything from data and financial management and the transitional reinsurance, to risk optimization and enhanced member services.
EDGE server solutions

Our basic services include data management setup and ongoing monthly data management.

Data management setup
With our data management setup services, we work with clients to:
– Establish a dedicated data environment
– Develop ETL (extract, transform and load) programs based on HHS specifications
– Collect, format and validate data to prepare for and help ensure HHS compliance
– Aggregate medical, pharmacy and eligibility data at the member level
– Load claims and enrollment files to a dedicated server
– Support the test environment and respond to HHS requests

Ongoing data management
Our ongoing data management services include:
– Responding to HHS inquiries regarding any data issues
– Receiving and reporting detailed and summary results to HHS and the health plan as required
– Running quarterly HHS risk-adjustment models
– Performing oversight and quality control

Leading EDGE services

In addition to the basic HHS requirements, we can help you enhance your services with focused analytics for risk evaluation, risk forecasting, risk optimization and reinsurance services. From developing risk scores based on the same underlying data used in the HHS model to forecasting and optimizing your financial risk, we can provide the insights to help you succeed in this new environment.

Reinsurance and risk adjustment forecasting
HHS will develop risk scores on behalf of plans and states, but you don’t need to wait for these results. Our monthly financial management and actuarial reports will allow you to proactively monitor your risk so you can develop strategies to mitigate risks, control loss ratios and develop effective programs to manage illness and educate members.

We’ll also provide benchmarks using IBM® MarketScan® and other data sources so you can compare your results.

Risk optimization
To help mitigate financial risk and understand drivers to “break-even” in the HHS risk-adjustment calculations, we also provide risk-optimization services. These services combine deep industry knowledge and analytic power with an advanced set of actuarial and predictive models.
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Each day, professionals throughout the health ecosystem make powerful progress toward a healthier future. At IBM Watson Health, we help them remove obstacles, optimize efforts and reveal new insights to support the people they serve. Working across the landscape, from payers and providers to governments and life sciences, we bring together deep health expertise; proven innovation; and the power of artificial intelligence to enable our customers to uncover, connect and act — as they work to solve health challenges for people everywhere.

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