

ABILITY Network Streamlines Medicare Claims Processing With Expanded Product Suite

ABILITY EASE automates Medicare DDE and streamlines complex workflows for hospice, hospital and skilled nursing facilities

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About ABILITY

ABILITY works to save lives by facilitating information exchange and knowledge-sharing among every participant within the healthcare spectrum – hospitals, physician practices, home care providers, DMEs, and private and government payers – as well as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). In use for more than a decade in more than 3,000 hospitals across the country, ABILITY's network supports healthcare decision makers in their quest to promote care coordination and collaboration, reduce record fragmentation, participate in new and emerging care models, and access the Direct Project network and state and community-based Health Information Exchanges (HIEs). Follow us on [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Facebook](#).

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. – September 7, 2011 – ABILITY Network Inc™, the nation's largest and most secure web-based health network, announced today the expansion of its ABILITY EASE product suite that streamlines Medicare claims processing and corrections and provides time and cost-saving capabilities by automating DDE and identifying eligibility concerns. Available now for [hospice](#), [skilled nursing facilities](#) and [hospital organizations](#), ABILITY EASE helps customers by delivering daily reports highlighting the status of Medicare claims and revenue, as well as providing eligibility checks and alerts on all potential eligibility or reimbursement problems for active patients.

“Some of the biggest challenges these health care organizations face are Medicare regulatory requirements related to eligibility and the impact on reimbursement,” said Mark Briggs, CEO of ABILITY Network. **“We’ve had tremendous success with ABILITY EASE streamlining the Medicare DDE process for our home health care clients, and now look forward to transferring that expertise and capabilities to address the concerns of our hospice, skilled nursing facility and hospital clients.”** ABILITY will be exhibiting and demonstrating ABILITY EASE for home health and hospice in booth number 228 at the upcoming National Association of Home Care and Hospice annual conference in Las Vegas, Oct. 1-5.

ABILITY EASE allows users to access lists of active patients, verify how many patients may be on a Medicare Advantage plan or have commercial insurance coverage, and receive activity reports that highlight potential problem areas and challenging claims that result in cash flow management improvements. Additional features and benefits include:

- Fully integrated reporting showing the status of Medicare revenue
- Daily e-mails detailing the Medicare dollars expected to receive that day and the following day
- Protection of Medicare Access and DDE/FISS passwords
- Reduction or elimination of delayed revenues and loss of revenues
- Speedier reimbursements
- Improved cash flow management with increased understanding of receivables and risk
- Enhanced communications between billing and management
- Complete understanding of where Medicare reimbursements are at all time

Briggs added, “We are providing tools that allow clients to streamline claims processing and enjoy significant workflow efficiencies where previously manual steps are now done for them automatically giving them more time to focus on patient-centric activities that really matter.”

