Healthcare Law Alert: Personal Injury Protection (PIP) Update

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Effective September 1, 2019, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:6A-5.4, all PIP providers are required to submit complete electronic medical bills for payment to insurance carriers or their third-party administrators.

A complete electronic medical bill is defined by N.J.S.A. 39:6A-5.3 as:

- Submitted in the correct uniform billing format, with the correct uniform billing code sets, transmitted in compliance with the guidelines;
- The bill and electronic attachments provide all information required under the guidelines established by this act; and
- The healthcare provider or its billing representative has provided all information that the insurance carrier or its third party administrator requested.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:6A-5.5, this statute does not apply those that:

- Submit less than 25 medical bills per month to insurance carriers or third-party administrators;
- Furnish services only outside of the United States;
- Experience a disruption in electricity and communication connections that are beyond its control; or
- Demonstrate that a specific and unusual circumstance exists that precludes submission of electronic bills.

It is advised that PIP providers check with all insurance carriers regarding where/how the electronic bills should be submitted.

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