



**ASC X12N 834 (004010X095A1)
Benefit Enrollment and Maintenance
Companion Guide Notes**

The ISA segment terminator, which immediately follows the component element separator, must consist of only one character code. This same character code must be used as the segment terminator for each segment in the ISA-IEA segment set.

We strongly recommend the use of upper case alpha-characters. This will ensure data lookup compatibility.



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- ISA01 – Authorization Information Qualifier – always '00'
- ISA02 – Authorization Information – always spaces
- ISA03 – Security Information Qualifier – always '00'
- ISA04 – Security Information – always spaces
- ISA05 – Interchange ID Qualifier (*Sender*) – usually 'ZZ' – must match Trading Partner (TP) agreement form
- ISA06 – Interchange Sender ID – must match TP agreement form (usually Tax ID)
- ISA07 – Interchange ID Qualifier (*Receiver*) – 'ZZ' – must match TP agreement form
- ISA08 – Interchange Receiver ID – '00390' – must match TP agreement form
- ISA09 – Interchange Date – YYMMDD – provided by your software
- ISA10 – Interchange Time – HHMM – provided by your software
- ISA11 – Interchange Control Standards Identifier – 'U'
- ISA12 – Interchange Control Version Number – '00401'
- ISA13 – Interchange Control Number – assigned by your software (usually sequential integer)
- ISA14 – Acknowledgement Requested – '1'
- ISA15 – Usage Indicator – 'T' Test (Certification) or 'P' Production after BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee approval
- ISA16 – Component Element Separator (delimits components within a data element) – provided by your software

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- GS01 – Functional Identifier Code – 'BE' (for 834 transactions)
 - GS02 – Application Sender's Code – must match TP agreement form (usually Tax ID)
 - GS03 – Application Receiver's Code – '00390' – must match TP agreement form
 - GS04 – Date – CCYYMMDD – provided by your software
 - GS05 – Time – HHMM – provided by your software
 - GS06 – Group Control Number – assigned by your software (usually sequential integer)
 - GS07 – Responsible Agency Code – 'X'
 - GS08 – Version/Release/Industry Identifier Code – '004010X095A1' – must match TP agreement form

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ISA01 – Authorization Information Qualifier – always ‘00’
ISA02 – Authorization Information – always spaces
ISA03 – Security Information Qualifier – always ‘00’
ISA04 – Security Information – always spaces
ISA05 – Interchange ID Qualifier (*Sender*) – ‘ZZ’
ISA06 – Interchange Sender ID – ‘00390’
ISA07 – Interchange ID Qualifier (*Receiver*) – will match Trading Partner (TP) agreement form
ISA08 – Interchange Receiver ID – will match TP agreement form (usually Tax ID)
ISA09 – Interchange Date – YYMMDD – date processed
ISA10 – Interchange Time – HHMM – time processed
ISA11 – Interchange Control Standards Identifier – ‘U’
ISA12 – Interchange Control Version Number – ‘00401’
ISA13 – Interchange Control Number – from TP record – based on TP internal ID
ISA14 – Acknowledgement Requested – ‘0’ on 997 acknowledgements
ISA15 – Usage Indicator ‘T’ Test (Certification) or ‘P’ Production after BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee approval
ISA16 – Component Element Separator

GS01 – Functional Identifier Code – ‘BE’ (for 834 transactions)
GS02 – Application Sender’s Code – ‘00390’ (*Sender*) – will match TP agreement form
GS03 – Application Receiver’s Code – will match TP agreement form (usually Tax ID)
GS04 – Date – CCYYMMDD – date processed
GS05 – Time – HHMM - time processed
GS06 – Group Control Number – assigned number (usually sequential integer)
GS07 – Responsible Agency Code – ‘X’
GS08 – Version/Release/Industry Identifier Code – ‘004010X095A1’



997 – FUNCTIONAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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A 997 Functional Acknowledgement is generated for every complete incoming transaction received. The 997 transaction validates the compliancy of the transaction received, and identifies any issues that need to be corrected within the file. This acknowledgement will be distributed to the client's mailbox within two hours after receipt of a successful transaction.

Below is an example of a 997. We will be using delimiters as defined in the ISA segment to separate elements, components and segments. The element separator will be found immediately following the Interchange Control Header. The component element separator will be found in the ISA16 segment, and the segment terminator will be found at the end of the ISA segment. Please refer to the HIPAA Implementation Guide for documentation on how to read this transaction. You may download this guide from the following Web site: <http://www.wpc-edi.com/hipaa/>.

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ISA*00*      *00*      *ZZ*SENDER ID  *ZZ*RECEIVER ID *060719*1113*U*00401*000000173*0*P*>
GS*FA*SENDER ID*RECEIVER ID*20060719*111307*173*X*004010
ST*997*173001
AK1*BE*100000001
AK2*834*200000001
AK5*A
AK9*A*1*1*1
SE*6*173001
GE*1*173
IEA*1*000000173
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