

EAMS to Go Live August 25th!

On August 25th, the DWC's Electronic Adjudication Management System will replace the existing data management system at all WCAB offices. EDEXIS and EAMS will continue to work together with EDEXIS providing additional functionality to compensate for EAMS' limitations.

As EAMS was designed to more efficiently manage the WCAB's paper files, only DWC employees will have full access to EAMS. A public web interface will allow the public to access limited data without passwords and, if all goes well, external users will be gradually phased-in beginning in November. Until the phase-in is complete (possibly many month's later) those not using EDEX will be limited to the public EAMS web interface.

EAMS will bring several changes, including...

Further Protection of Applicant Data

Only the last four digits of social security numbers will be included in any EDEX *responses*. Additionally, the applicant's address will be redacted unless requested by a case party or lien claimant listed on the address record.

Lien Procedure Modifications

As has always been the case, the electronic listing of a lien claimant on the official address record is not a perfected lien. A lien is not perfected until the lien, proof of service, and supporting documentation are served on all the required case parties, including the WCAB. The WCAB is often challenged with attempting to adjudicate liens when there is no documentation, only an electronic filing. To resolve this challenge, lien claimants will **ONLY** be added to the Official Address **AFTER** receipt of the required documentation. Because of this change, lien claimants will want to submit their liens as soon as they have knowledge of the case.

How Will EAMS Affect EDEXIS?

The good news: how you manage your liens in EDEXIS will change **VERY LITTLE**. You will still file your EDEX transactions to receive electronic notices and generate your auto populated documentation. You will continue to serve your perfected lien packets, being sure to include the WCAB (as you have surely always done). After the WCAB receives and scans your lien documentation, you will be added to the case as a lien claimant.

Preparing for EAMS

With the implementation of new technology, it is wise to anticipate hiccups. Additionally, because the new lien forms must be OCR compliant they will be considerably longer (possibly 4 to 6 pages) thus taking more postage and paper. To avoid additional cost and any delay, we encourage you to file your liens and serve your lien packets prior to August 1st. Our staff is ready to assist you with batch uploads and other tools to manage large amounts of data quickly.

EDEX IV

EAMS is not able to accommodate true electronic filing - also called e-forms. We are **VERY EXCITED** that the DWC has confirmed that once EAMS is implemented, development will begin a new version of EDEX that will include EAMS compatible e-forms to eliminate the snail mailing of documentation.

We will release any new details as they are confirmed. We know you are hearing speculation about what EAMS will and will not do; we hope that you will call us with any of your questions or concerns.

EDEXIS WEB REMINDERS

Reference Number Defaults

Under Account Management, you can require and define reference fields for every search. You can also set AutoTrack as a default setting.

Appearance Calendar

The EDEXIS Appearance Calendar can be sorted by venue to help you easily manage court appearances.

Duplication

You may have noticed that when a Social Security Number search is entered, there is a notice that reports any pre-existing activity for that social within the last 60 days. This function helps you avoid unnecessary duplicate entries.

Name Search

At the top of every search result you will see a "Name Search" button. If a Social Security number is returned with a name that does not match your inquiry or a "No Records Found for SSN," you may want to search by name to find a WCAB case under an alternate SSN.

PRE-POPULATED EDEXIS ACCOUNTS

Every EDEXIS account has the option of utilizing pre-populated data. All existing litigated work comp cases can be built into an EDEXIS account based on each client's needs for historic reporting and/or future case tracking. This option is available for...

**Employers
WC Insurance Providers
Defense or Applicant Attorneys
Lien Claimants**

Cases that are being tracked provide hearing and event notices as well as Case Update Notices. Update Notices provide automated notice when a lien claimant, or case party, is added or removed.

WHAT IS EDEXIS?

EDEX Information Systems provides online access to California's WCAB data. This includes the ability to search just one, or thousands of WCAB cases, file liens and automatically receive all hearings and events.

Data comparisons of current accounts receivables to existing lien data efficiently identifies liens that need to be withdrawn, filed, or amended.

EDEXIS is the only EDEX vendor that provides our custom "Name Search" function. Search for WCAB cases by name and date of birth to identify cases with fictitious social security numbers at no charge!

If you would like to try a free demo account, please email us at support@edexis.com.

EDEX MULTI-CONNECT (EMC) TEXT DELIMITED DATA

Do you re-enter your EDEX data into an internal accounting, calendar, or case management system? If so, you may be interested in our EMC module. EMC allows you to receive your data in XML. This data can then be uploaded into your current systems per your specifications.

EDEXIS STANDARD AND CUSTOM REPORTS

EDEXIS provides several reports to help you manage your EDEX accounts.

Dismissal Report

If you receive the error "*DWC lien claimant ID number is invalid*" when attempting to withdraw or amend a lien, the original lien may have been dismissed by the WCAB. We are working with the DWC to find a solution to this problem that will provide automated reporting of dismissals. Until that is implemented, we currently offer a report that shows all liens within your EDEXIS account that have been dismissed by the WCAB.

Closing Order Report

The Closing Order Report provides a list of any liens within your EDEX account that have received a closing order within a specified time frame.

Lien and Search History

Which liens did you file last month? You can go to your EDEX account to view this information or request an EXCEL spreadsheet containing all liens filed and/or searches processed between any two date ranges.

Custom Reports

Do you need a report that we didn't mention? Let us know about your specific report requirements and we can probably create one for you.

PROMOTIONS

Ease Into EAMS

With the implementation of EAMS on August 25th, we anticipate a very busy rush to access EAMS via EDEX and file backlogs of liens. If you beat the rush and open your EDEX account before August 1st, we will waive your \$149.00 set up fee.

Fuel Your Referrals

For each qualifying referral, select a \$50 gift card from your choice of retailers and receive a BONUS \$50.00 gas card through June 30th, 2008.

To learn about either of these promotions,
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