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# Introduction to SFTP & PGP Encryption

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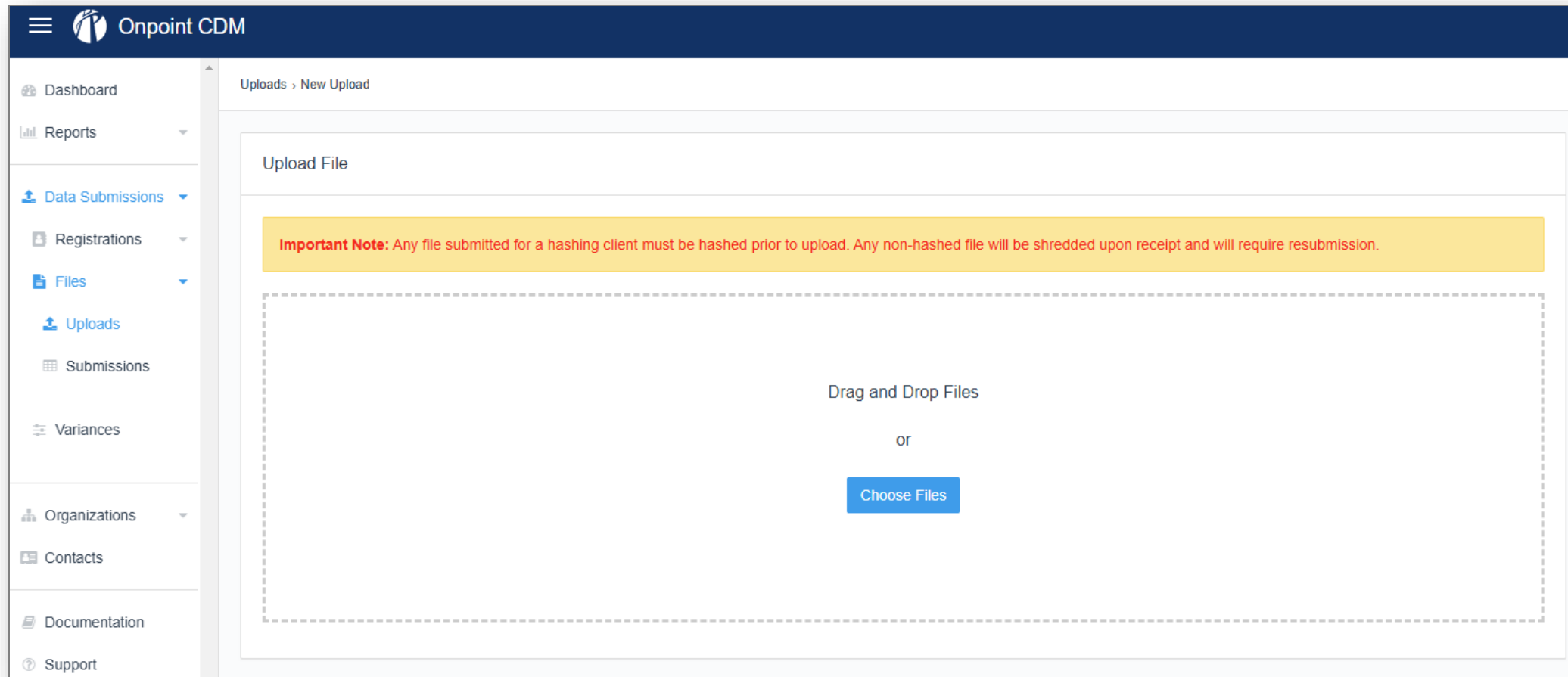
# Agenda

- Overview of options for submitting files to the Health Care Payments Data (HPD) Program
  - Manual upload within Onpoint CDM (Claims Data Manager) portal
  - Direct file transfer via Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP)
- Demonstrations of PGP encryption and SFTP access
- Next steps, resources, and support to establish connectivity with Onpoint
- Questions?
- Implementation timeline reminders

# Overview of Submitting Files to the HPD Program

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# Option #1 – Upload Files Manually in Onpoint CDM



## Option #2 – Submit via SFTP

- Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP)
- Allows files transmissions between a client and host system through an encrypted channel



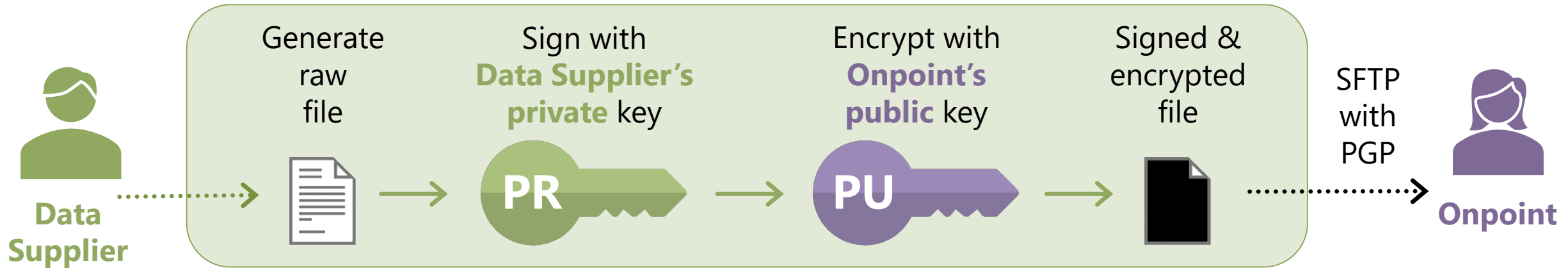
WinSCP



FileZilla

# Required for Both Options: PGP Encryption

- Allows for secure exchanges of data between two parties using a public and private key pair to encrypt sensitive data



# PGP Encryption & SFTP: The Basics

- Onpoint uses PGP encryption to protect files (at rest) and confirm the sender
- As part of PGP encryption and SFTP data transfer, submitters will generate two sets of key pairs:
  1. A PGP key pair, used for encrypting your data
  2. An SSH (Secure Shell) key pair, used for SFTP account authentication
- Both PGP and SSH key pairs have a public and a private key
  - Private keys should **never** be shared and should be backed up
  - Public keys are transferable and will be shared with Onpoint
- Different organizations have different security requirements; contact your IT team to confirm your organization's firewall access



# Demonstration of PGP Encryption & SFTP Access

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# Demonstrations

- Demonstration #1: PGP encryption
  - PGP key generation
  - File encryption
- Demonstration #2: SFTP access
  - SSH key generation
  - Log-in to SFTP account
  - File transfer via SFTP

# FAQs – Submitting Files via SFTP

## **"Why do I still see my submission in my SFTP account after file transfer?"**

- Files “live” within your SFTP account for 30 days but can be deleted or resubmitted at your discretion
- After 30 days, files are archived locally for 150 days within your SFTP account but cannot be updated or deleted without permission from Onpoint’s IT department
  - To update or delete visibly archived files, please send your request to:  
[hpd-support@onpointhealthdata.org](mailto:hpd-support@onpointhealthdata.org)

## **"How do I know whether my file transferred successfully?"**

- SFTP submission and file progress are traceable in Onpoint CDM



## Next Steps

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# Next Steps for Establishing SFTP Connectivity

- Onpoint has created a user guide for PGP setup and SFTP connectivity that details all aspects of the process, including...
  - Step-by-step directions regarding PGP and SSH key generation
  - An overview of establishing SFTP connectivity with Onpoint
  - Guidelines for file signing, encryption, and decryption
- Onpoint will send a follow-up email with the SFTP registration form and user guide
- Communicate with your IT department to coordinate SFTP connectivity efforts
- **Please note:** While submitters are encouraged to prepare PGP and SSH key pairs and initiate internal requests for PGP encryption and SFTP connectivity, Onpoint cannot complete SFTP requests until the submitter's **registration is complete.**



**Questions?**

**Technical questions?**

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**Regulatory questions?**

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# Implementation Timeline Reminders

# NCP Implementation & Training Timeline

| Date               |   | Description  |
|--------------------|---|--|
| April 1, 2025      | ✓ | Plan registration opens for NCP file types   |
| April 10, 2025     | ✓ | Submitter Group Meeting – NCP Registration and Data Collection Overview                          |
| April 30, 2025     | ✓ | Webinar: Overview of NCP Data Collection   |
| May 1, 2025        | ✓ | Submitter registration opens for NCP file types  |
| May 14, 2025       | 📍 | Webinar: Introduction to SFTP & PGP File Encryption  |
| May 29, 2025       |   | Webinar: Overview of NCP File Formats & Validation   |
| June 11, 2025      |   | Webinar: Overview of CDM & Submission Best Practices   |
| July 1, 2025       |   | Onpoint CDM configured to accept NCP test files  |
| September 1, 2025  |   | Deadline for submitting at least one test file for each historical NCP data file type            |
| June 30, 2026      |   | Deadline for successfully completing testing for each historical NCP data file type              |
| July 31, 2026      |   | Historical data (June 29, 2017 – December 31, 2024) due for annual payments and pharmacy rebates |
| September 1, 2026  |   | Historical data (June 29, 2017 – July 31, 2026) due for capitation file                          |
| September 30, 2026 |   | Initiation of ongoing annual payments and pharmacy rebates, starting with CY2025 reporting       |
| October 1, 2026    |   | Initiation of ongoing monthly capitation file, starting with August 2026 reporting               |

# Thank you.



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