

Date: 08/29/07

Pharmacy Announcement

Pharmacies Urged to Use Prescriber's NPI on Claims

When entering the prescriber's ID on claims, pharmacy providers are encouraged to use the prescriber's National Provider Identifier (NPI) immediately instead of the prescriber's Provider Medicaid Number.



Providers who use the prescriber's NPI now will be prepared when it becomes mandatory, which is anticipated to occur within 60 to 90 days. The effective date when only the prescriber's NPI is allowed will be posted on this website.

Please ask the provider for the appropriate NPI. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) plans to publish a national NPI Registry, which pharmacies may use to look up NPI. When the Registry is published, a link will be posted on this website.

[Read more](#)