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## URGENT: Attention All Providers: Requirements on When to Use the National Provider Identifier (NPI) of an Ordering, Prescribing or Referring (OPR) Provider on Claims

The requirement to submit the National Provider Identifier (NPI) of an Ordering, Prescribing or Referring (OPR) provider on your claim applies only if the service you are providing to a Medicaid recipient was ordered, prescribed or referred by another physician or other eligible professional.

Things to consider regarding OPR:

- The NPI of the OPR provider is mandatory for certain provider types because the services they provide are always ordered or referred.
- The following provider types are required to include the NPI of the OPR provider on their claim: 16, 17, 19, 23, 27, 28, 29, 33, 34, 37, 43, 45, 46, 55, 63, 64 and 68.
- The NPI of the OPR provider listed on the claim must be valid. If the NPI of the OPR provider is not a valid NPI, the claim will not be paid.
- If the NPI of the OPR provider is not enrolled in the Nevada Medicaid program, the claim will not be paid.
- If the service you are providing to a Medicaid recipient was ordered, prescribed or referred by another physician or other eligible professional, you must enter the NPI of the OPR on your claim form.
- Refer to Web Announcement 830 for specific claim form field instructions.

However, if you are **NOT** one of the above-mentioned mandatory provider types and the service you are providing was **NOT** ordered, prescribed or referred by another physician or other eligible professional:

- Do not enter an NPI in the referring provider field on your claim if there is no referring provider.
- Do not enter your own NPI as the referring provider.
- If an OPR provider's NPI is submitted on the claim when it is not mandatory, the NPI will still be validated by the system and the claim will deny if the OPR provider's NPI is not valid or the OPR provider is not enrolled in Nevada Medicaid.