

Don't be Surprised on May 23, 2008...USE NPI-Only NOW!

May 23, 2008 is the deadline for the use of NPI on ALL HIPAA standard transactions. ND Medicaid has required NPI on electronic claims since May 23, 2007. Along with this, our contingency plan made an allowance for providers to bill their Medicaid ID as a secondary provider ID. As of May 23, 2008, the secondary provider ID will no longer be allowed on any provider information that is submitted on an electronic claim.

Due to this, ND Medicaid has been working to implement system changes so that we can correctly identify providers on electronic claims. These changes will affect those providers and institutions that have chosen to use a single NPI that represents multiple Medicaid ID's.

If you are currently sending NPI-only on your claims, these changes will not affect your billing process.

If you are **NOT** currently sending NPI-only, you should send a sample of NPI-only claims now. This will allow time for any needed corrections prior to May 23, 2008, the date when only the NPI will be accepted in all provider fields.

If you bill using a billing service or clearinghouse, you may want to contact them to verify that they are prepared to send NPI-only claims.

NPI is ALWAYS REQUIRED for all fields containing provider ID numbers on any claim that is submitted electronically. This has not changed.

Effective May 23, 2008, ND Medicaid requires that taxonomy codes be billed to assist in identifying the Billing and Pay-To Provider information, for ALL electronic claims submitted by a provider who has multiple Medicaid numbers linked to a single NPI. *(The Health Care Provider Taxonomy code set is a collection of unique alphanumeric codes, ten characters in length. The code set is structured into three distinct "Levels" including Provider Type, Classification, and Area of Specialization. More information on taxonomy codes can be found at http://www.wpc-edi.com/custom_html/tax_more.htm.)* Taxonomies that ND Medicaid recognizes are shown in the table below. To ensure proper provider identification and thus proper claims processing, all providers with multiple Medicaid IDs MUST include a ND Medicaid recognized taxonomy code when submitting Billing Provider and Pay-To Provider information. Failure to submit the taxonomy codes for the Billing and/or Pay-To Provider will result in claim rejection as of May, 23, 2008. Please note: the required billing and pay-to provider taxonomy code may differ from a provider's state-registered NPI taxonomy code. The taxonomy code that is on the claim is the code that will be used in claim adjudication. It is encouraged that you verify that your state-registered taxonomy code(through the state's NPI Registration web site) reflects the state-recognized codes.

Electronic Professional Claims (837P)

The taxonomy code will not be required for Referring or Rendering Physician information, but ND Medicaid highly encourages it's use, especially in those cases where a provider has multiple specialties or has multiple Medicaid IDs.

Electronic Institutional Claims (837I)

The taxonomy code will not be required for Attending, Operating, Other, or Referring Physician or Service Facility provider information, but ND Medicaid highly encourages it's use, especially in those cases where a provider has multiple specialties or has multiple Medicaid IDs.

Electronic Dental Claims (837D)

The taxonomy code will not be required for Referring or Rendering Physician information, but ND Medicaid highly encourages it's use, especially in those cases where a provider has multiple specialties or has multiple Medicaid IDs.

Taxonomy Crosswalk for Providers with Multiple Medicaid IDs linked to a single NPI

Provider or Service	Taxonomy	Medicaid Provider ID Range	Claim Type
Hospital Psychiatric Unit	273R00000X	1000-1899;2000-2999	837I
Hospital Rehabilitation Unit	273Y00000X	1000-1899;2000-2999	837I
Hospital General Acute	282N00000X	1000-1899;2000-2999	837I
Long Term Hospital	282E00000X	1000-1899;2000-2999	837I
Psychiatric Hospital	283Q00000X	1000-1899;2000-2999	837I
Rehabilitation Hospital	283X00000X	1000-1899;2000-2999	837I
Kidney Dialysis/ESRD Unit or Facility	261QE0700X	1000-1899;2000-2999	837I
Swing Bed	275N00000X	1900-1999	837I
ICF/MR	315P00000X	30800-30899	837I
Nursing Facility	313M00000X	30000-30699	837I
or Skilled Nursing Facility	314000000X	30000-30699	837I
Hospice	251G00000X	50000-59999	837I
Home Health	251E00000X	50000-59999	837I
Psychiatric Residential Treatment Center	323P00000X	50000-59999	837P
Pharmacy	333600000X	20000-29999	837P
DME Supplier	332B00000X	50000-59999	837P
Eyewear	332H00000X	50000-59999	837P
Hearing Aid	332S00000X	50000-59999	837P
Prosthetic Orthotic Supplier	335E00000X	50000-59999	837P
Ambulance	341600000X	50000-59999	837P
Ambulatory Surgical Center	261QA1903X	10000-18999	837P
Dental Clinic	261QD0000X	10000-18999	837P
Clinic (all other)	261Qxxxxxx *	10000-18999	837P
Federally Qualified health Center	261QF0400X	5900-5999	837I
Rural Health Clinic	261QR1300X	5000-5899	837I
Chiropractor	111Nxxxxxx *	10000-18999	837P
Optometrist	152W00000X	60000-69999	837P
Independent Laboratory	293D00000X	10000-18999	837P
Dentist	1223xxxxxx *	40000-49999	837D
Physician	207xxxxxxx *	10000-18999	837P
or Physician	208xxxxxxx *	10000-18999	837P
Psychologist	103T00000X	10000-18999	837P
Public Health Unit Screening	261QH0700X	50000-59999	837P
Public Health Unit Clinic	261QP0904X	50000-59999	837P
Public Health Unit Family Planning	261QF0005X	50000-59999	837P

*Only the first characters are required to be as stated, the remaining 6 or 7 characters can be assigned by the provider. Defaults for the assignable characters are zeros.

Need More Information?

As always, you can find answers to many of your questions at the ND Dept of Human Services' website at www.nd.gov/dhs .

Always be sure that your NPI is registered with ND Dept of Human Services. Application and receipt of an NPI from NPPES(National Plan and Provider Enumeration System) is not sufficient for ND Medicaid to recognize your NPI.

To register your NPI with ND Medicaid, visit our web site at <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/provider-npi.html> .

For technical information on the 837 transaction, please review our Trading Partner Agreement Companion Guide. It is located at: <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid/companion.html>. This site gives you information on the 837 transactions. As with all segments of the 837 ANS112 transaction, the PRV segment (Provider Specialty Information (taxonomy)) for each 837 transaction type is explained, giving Loop ID/Description, Segment ID/Description, Data Element ID/Description, Size, and Plan Preferences/Required Values/Comments.

Have a question that hasn't yet been answered? Please call our Provider Relations Department at 328-4030, 328-4033, or 1-800-755-2604.

Need More Information on NPI?

Still not sure what an NPI is and how you can get it, share it and use it? As always, more information and education on the NPI can be found through the CMS NPI page www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand on the CMS website. Providers can apply for an NPI online at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov> or can call the NPI enumerator to request a paper application at 1-800-465-3203. Having trouble viewing any of the URLs in this message? If so, try to cut and paste any URL in this message into your web browser to view the intended information.

Note: All current and past CMS NPI communications are available by clicking "CMS Communications" in the left column of the www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand CMS webpage.