April 29, 2008


RE: National Provider Identifier (NPI)

Dear Medicaid Provider:

You have probably heard the term National Provider Identifier (NPI) over the last several years. As a Medicaid provider, you are NOT obligated to obtain an NPI or to file claims with an NPI.

Medicaid classifies you as an “atypical provider,” which means you are not required to use an NPI. This is supported by a mandate from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Medicaid has developed claim edits to prevent atypical providers from filing claims with NPI and taxonomy numbers. A claim from an atypical provider, submitted with NPI and taxonomy numbers will be denied by Medicaid. Even after May 23, 2008 (deadline for NPI use where required), you should continue to file claims with your Medicaid provider ID. You may access a copy of the billing instructions at www.kymmis.com.

The following Provider Types are considered Atypical Providers:
• Hands;
• Non-Emergency Transportation;
• Commission for Handicapped Children;
• Title V/DSS;
• First Steps; and,
• Impact Plus.

If you should have any further questions, please contact Provider Inquiry at 1-800-807-1232 Monday – Friday 8:00am to 6:00pm EST.

We thank you for being a participating Medicaid Provider.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Elizabeth A. Johnson
Commissioner