



Florida Medicaid Remittance Banner Announcements & Health Care Alerts

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General/All Providers

Fiscal Agent Important Transition Information

As Florida Medicaid moves toward the fiscal agent transition between ACS and EDS occurring **July 1, 2008**, there are several important events providers should be aware of for the transition.

- The last date to transmit WINASAP and 837 X12N electronic claims transactions to the current fiscal agent (ACS) is Wednesday, June 18 at 11:59pm. Beginning Thursday, June 19 at 12:00am, the current fiscal agent will no longer accept or process WINASAP or 837 X12N electronic claim transactions. EDS will begin accepting 837 X12N transactions effective June 23, 2008.
- During the week of June 30, 2008, providers will not receive a payment from Medicaid. Claims submitted just prior to and during the week of June 23 through June 29, 2008, will be adjudicated after June 29. This week for non-payment is standard operation. We have approached this current transition, as done with past fiscal agent takeovers and the HIPAA transition in the fall of 2003, by not “running” a payment cycle on the final Saturday of transition.

For additional transition and other important information, please go to the [EDS Florida Medicaid Provider Readiness](#) site.

021 Institutional, 081 Non-Institutional, and 111 Dental Paper Claim Forms Timeline

Due to the time required to process remaining inventory or perform turnover tasks from ACS to EDS, cut-off dates for these claim forms need to occur well before July 1.

- The 111 Dental claim form will be replaced by the ADA 2006 Dental claim form. The 111 Dental claim form for paper claims will no longer be accepted after June 2, 2008 regardless of the date of service. After June 2, 2008, providers must submit paper claims using the ADA 2006 claim form. If you currently submit claims electronically on the 837D, please review the information in the EDI section of this document.
- The 021 Institutional claim form will be replaced by the UB-04 claim form. The 021 Institutional claim form for paper claims currently being used by Nursing facilities, Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD), and State Mental Hospital providers will no longer be accepted after June 2, 2008 regardless of the date of service. After June 2, 2008, providers must submit paper claims using the UB-04 claim form. If you currently submit claims electronically on the 837I, please review the

information in the EDI section of this document. Please note: LTC facilities using the computer generated turn around documents (TADs) to file Medicaid claims (the TAD has preprinted claim information on it) for May dates of service will use that format for the submission that will occur the first part of June.

- The 081 Non-Institutional claim form will be replaced by the CMS-1500 claim form. The 081 claim form for paper claims currently being used by Home and Community Based Services and Children's Medical Services Targeted Case Management providers will no longer be accepted after June 2, 2008 regardless of the date of service. After June 2, 2008, providers must submit claims using the CMS-1500 claim form. If you currently submit claims electronically on the 837P, please review information in the EDI section of this document.

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Florida Discount Drug Card

The Florida Discount Drug Card offers eligible Floridians savings on drugs at participating pharmacies across the state. More than 3,800 retail pharmacies in Florida accept the Discount Drug Card. Signing up is easy. Simply visit <http://www.floridadiscountdrugcard.com> to learn which drugs are discounted and to find participating pharmacies near you. Please let your non-Medicaid patients and clients know that they can complete an online application or enroll over the phone by calling 1-866-341-8894 or TTY 1-866-763-9630.

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Important National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) Information for Organization Providers

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) required the adoption and use of a standard unique identifier for health care providers. The National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) collects identifying information on health care providers and assigns each a unique National Provider Identifier (NPI). The use of the NPI will be required for all health care providers submitting electronic transactions. An application for an NPI may be submitted online at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/StaticForward.do?forward=static.npistart>.

In April 2007, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a contingency plan extending the deadline for full compliance with the NPI rule to May 23, 2008. The contingency does not delay the effective date of the NPI rule, but does allow covered entities to avoid possible citations if they can show they are making due diligence to becoming compliant.

Florida Medicaid has extended its contingency deadline to May 23, 2008. Failure to register an NPI with Florida Medicaid may disrupt your ability to successfully complete electronic transactions with Florida Medicaid. In order to register your NPI with Florida Medicaid,

complete the NPI form located at <http://floridamedicaid.acs-inc.com> under Provider Support | Enrollment | Enrollment Application and Related Documents and submit immediately to avoid future denials of claims.

When organization health care providers apply for NPIs, it is important that they enter their correct legal business name and Employer Identification Number (EIN). NPPES will be establishing a verification process with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to verify the legal business name and the associated EIN submitted on the NPPES applications and updates. Providers will be notified as CMS develops and implements this process. In the meantime, CMS encourages providers to be proactive and verify that this information is correct in order to avoid any potential issues in the future.

Additional information regarding [NPI](#) can be found below.

Additional information can be obtained from the Florida Medicaid HIPAA website at ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/hipaa/NPI/mpi.shtml, from NPPES located at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/Welcome.do>, or the CMS NPI web page at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand/>.

Links

[ACS Website](#) | [Florida Medicaid HIPAA Website](#) | [National Identifiers](#) | [HIPAA Transactions & Code Sets Standard](#) | [X12 Transaction Tools](#) | [Email Alerts Subscription Form](#)

QUESTIONS ABOUT FLORIDA MEDICAID?

Please direct questions about Medicaid policies to your area Medicaid office. The area Medicaid offices' addresses and phone numbers are available on the [Area Offices](#) web page.

EMAIL ALERT INFORMATION

The Florida Medicaid Program has created an email alert system to supplement the present method of receiving remittance banner information and to alert registered providers of "late-breaking" health care information. An email will be delivered to your mailbox when Medicaid policy clarifications or other health care information is available that is appropriate for your provider type. To unsubscribe from this list, send a blank email to: leave-medicaid-alerts-20348.35f7b6e7e6d3358f8a25c85a3c2094ca@fdhc.lyris.net.

Questions regarding the email alert system can be sent to the following mailbox: [Email Alert Administrator](#).