



TO: All Pharmacy Providers
DATE: April 30, 2007
RE: NPI Number Update

In response to the CMS guidance dated April 2, 2007 (“Guidance on Compliance with the HIPPA National Provider Identifier (NPI) Rule”) and to insure a smooth transition and uninterrupted flow of services and payments, 4D Pharmacy Management System will continue to accept legacy identifiers after the May 23, 2007 compliance date

Some plan sponsors may require that pharmacy claims be transmitted with the NPI number of the dispensing pharmacy and of the prescribing physician.

- McLaren Health Plan
- Upper Peninsula Health Plan
- Washtenaw Health Plan
- Central Health Plan
- Northeast Health Plan
- HealthSource

If claims are submitted for those plan sponsors, claims without the NPI numbers will reject with either/or:

Missing Invalid Prescriber ID
Missing Invalid Pharmacy ID

The preferred identifier is the NPI number on all claims - replacing the DEA number for prescribers and the NCPDP number for pharmacies.