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- TO: ALL DENTAL PROVIDERS PARTICIPATING IN THE NEW MEXICO MEDICAID PROGRAM
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SUBJECTS: EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011 DENTAL PROVIDERS MUST SUBMIT THE NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER (NPI) NUMBER OF THE RENDERING PROVIDER

Previous information provided on the use of NPIs in Supplements 07-01 and 07-03, which can be found on the Medical Assistance Division website at <u>http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/mad/registers/2007.html</u>, included the following information:

- As part of the continuing federally required HIPAA standards, use of the NPI number became mandatory for all healthcare providers in May of 2007.
- All healthcare providers must apply for an NPI number. This can be done online at <u>https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov</u>
- The provider must register their NPI numbers with ACS. This can be done online at https://nmmedicaid.acs-inc.com

A new requirement for dental claims is that effective July 1, 2011, dental providers must include the NPI number and the appropriate qualifier for the rendering provider on both paper and electronic claims.

Please note there are two types of NPIs that must be reported as follows:

- 1. The individual's own number, also known as the rendering/servicing provider (i.e. the dentist's personal number). Report in Field 54 on paper claim or Loop 2310B for electronic transactions.
- 2. The organization, agency or group practice (the billing provider's NPI). Report in Field 49 on paper claim or Loop 2010AA for electronic claims. For some practices, this may be the same number as the individual NPI.

For more information about National Provider Identifiers, please go to http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/mad/PNpi.html

Please remember to register your NPI numbers with ACS, as indicated above, if you have not already done so.

If you have questions regarding the above information, you may contact the Benefits Bureau at (505) 827-3171.

We appreciate your participation in the Medicaid program.