



ATTENTION: All Providers

Effective May 23, 2008, Unison, in accordance with federal guidelines, will require an NPI number for all primary providers, as well as for secondary providers when applicable, in order for claims to be paid.

A primary provider includes rendering, pay-to, and billing providers. A secondary provider includes: attending, operating, referring, prescribing, supervising, ordering, or other. The NPI number of the secondary provider(s) needs to be present on the claim form when the respective field or block is populated with that provider's name.

Any institutional, professional, or dental claim form received on and after May 23, 2008, that does not include the NPI for the primary provider(s) and secondary provider(s) when applicable, will be denied. This applies to both electronic and paper claim submissions.

If you do not have an NPI number now is the time to get it. For more information about obtaining an NPI number please visit the NPPES website at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/Welcome.do>