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TO: Pharmacy Providers Participating in the NE Medicaid Program

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RE: Implementation of NCPDP Version D.0 Pharmacy Claims Effective 01/01/2012

Please Share This Information With Administrative, Clinical, Billing/IT Staff and Trading Partners.

Effective January 1, 2012, Nebraska Medicaid is implementing the federally required standard electronic transaction versions, HIPAA 5010 and NCPDP D.0, as well as National Provider Identifiers (NPI) into the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS), the automated system that supports claims payment. The Nebraska D.0 Payer Specification document is posted at: https://nebraska.fhsc.com/Downloads/NE_PayerSpecification_D0-20111020a.pdf

Please review the Payer Specification document and the information below in order to ensure that your claims process successfully after 1/1/2012.

Pharmacy claims may be submitted to Nebraska Medicaid's pharmacy benefit manager, Magellan Medicaid Administration (MMA), in the D.0 Version beginning in mid-December. Details regarding D.0 processing will be posted on the website <https://nebraska.fhsc.com/>. **Beginning 1/1/2012 only NCPDP version D.0 claims will be accepted.**

Beginning 1/1/2012 NPI will be the only provider identifier accepted. This includes:

- **Billing Provider:** The pharmacy's 10-digit NPI, as reported to Nebraska Medicaid.
- **Prescribing Practitioner:** The NPI of the prescribing practitioner. Please note that the NPI of prescribing mid-level practitioners including Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants and Residents, not the supervising Physician, is required.

NPIs can be accessed at: <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/NPIRegistryHome.do>.

If you have questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Barbara Mart, R.P., Pharmacy Consultant, at 402-471-9301 or dhhs.MedicaidPharmacyunit@nebraska.gov or the MMA Help Desk at 800-368-9695.