

## PROVIDER NEWS FLASH

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### NPI IMPLEMENTATION



Starting January 1, 2011, Medicaid will require that all providers must obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI) and include their NPI on all claims submitted to Medicaid. This will include all claims submitted on paper or electronically. The Medicaid provider number will be allowed to accompany the NPI on claims; however, claims that do not contain the NPI will be denied. For information of how to apply for NPI, please visit <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/Welcome.do>.

Starting April 2011, the X12 transactions mandated by HIPAA are being modified with a new version, known as 5010. As Florida prepares to convert electronic transactions to the new version of HIPAA, further changes in the electronic claims are needed for the use of NPI for providers who must obtain an NPI. The 5010 version of the claims transactions will no longer allow providers to include the Medicaid provider number as part of the transaction and will allow only the NPI. This affects only electronic claims. Consequently, in preparation for the 5010 implementation, Florida Medicaid will no longer accept X12 claim transactions that contain the Florida Medicaid provider number in April 2011. Electronic claims that contain the Medicaid provider number will be denied. Florida Medicaid will provide further instructions in the near future on the 5010 implementation and associated changes that will be required later in 2011.

### FLORIDA MEDICAID ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Electronic health records (EHR) are increasingly becoming a key factor in helping health care practitioners enhance the coordination and quality of care for their patients. Earlier this year, the Florida Medicaid program received federal funds to promote the adoption and use of health information technology.

Florida received federal funds to develop the State Medicaid Health Information Technology Plan (SMHP) that includes a survey of health care providers who treat Medicaid recipients. The results of the survey will provide the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) with an analysis of the adoption and use of health information technology in Florida. The survey was distributed to selected hospitals, federally qualified health care centers, rural health care clinics, non-hospital based physicians, dentists, nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives in Mid-August.

The *Florida Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program* will provide monetary incentives for eligible Medicaid providers in Florida to adopt, implement, upgrade and meaningfully use EHR systems in their practices. For more details about the Florida program, please visit [www.fhin.net](http://www.fhin.net). By helping Florida's Medicaid providers implement certified EHR systems in their practices, the Agency hopes to improve the quality of care for all of Florida's citizens.



For additional information, please contact the SFCCN Subnetwork which you are contracted:

MHS 954-276-3131 Broward Health 954-767-5600 PHT 877-838-7526

[www.sfccn.org](http://www.sfccn.org)

## MEDICAID COMPLIANCE CORNER



Medicaid providers have an obligation to ensure that claims submitted to the Medicaid program are correct and properly reimbursed. When a provider determines that reimbursements were in excess of the amount due from the Medicaid program, the provider is obligated to return the improper amounts to the State. Providers should return the improper amounts to the Agency along with supporting information that will allow the Agency to validate the overpayment amount. The Agency refers to these self-disclosures as "self-audits".

With the recent amendments to the Agency's sanction rule, it is more advantageous to a provider to be proactive in ensuring their Medicaid reimbursements are proper. Providers who would like more information about conducting self-audits should contact the Agency's Office of Inspector General, Bureau of Medicaid Program Integrity's Self-Audit Coordinator, Pam Fante, at [Pam.Fante@ahca.myflorida.com](mailto:Pam.Fante@ahca.myflorida.com), or the Division of Medicaid, Fraud & Abuse Liaison, Kelly Bennett, at [Kelly.Bennett@ahca.myflorida.com](mailto:Kelly.Bennett@ahca.myflorida.com).

### MIRENA AND IMPLANON CHANGES



Effective September 23, 2010, neither Mirena (J7302) nor Implanon (J7307) will be billable to Medicaid through specialty pharmacies. Physician offices wishing to provide these contraceptive products for Medicaid recipients should plan to purchase the contraceptive products for office stock, and bill for the product and professional service through physician services.

### DENTIST RECRUITMENT IN BROWARD COUNTY



SFCCN is actively recruiting dental provider to join our PSN and CMS network. If you are interested in joining our network, please call 954-276-3131 or 954-767-5640.



### PROVIDER REMINDER Open Access

Enrollees can see the following specialists below without a referral from the PCP as long as the specialist is within the SFCCN network providers.

Chiropractor—for the first ten visits each Medicaid program year

Podiatrist—for the first four visits each Medicaid program year

Dermatologist—for the first five visits each Medicaid program year

Obstetrician & Gynecologist—for an annual well-woman exam

Ophthalmologist & Optometrist—for an annual eye exam

**SPECIAL REMINDER**  
Do you know that you could access the most updated SFCCN Provider Directory at our website? Please visit [www.sfccn.org](http://www.sfccn.org) for the provider directories, newsletters, cultural competency plan, clinical practice guidelines and other provider related information.



### HEDIS 2011 SEASON KICK OFF

The HEDIS medical record data abstraction process is fast approaching. SFCCN would like to request your continual assistance in completing the process in the most efficient manner. The process will begin in early March 2011 by our contracted vendor, MedAssurant.

### HOT SPOTS FOR PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT BMI AND PREVENTIVE SCREENING



Body mass index (BMI) assessment is a new quality performance measure that is required by AHCA for all health plans. In order to calculate the BMI, the documentation of the height and weight must be in the medical record. BMI is a useful measure for determining overweight and obesity.

Please visit [www.sfccn.org](http://www.sfccn.org) to obtain the documentation tool and BMI table to assist you and your office staff in meeting compliance for this important measure.



Preventive screenings are an important part of health promotion efforts. Many preventive screenings have been recognized as a cost-effective way to identify and treat potential health problems before they develop or worsen. To stay current with requirements and recommendation to meet the quality performance measures

visit <http://www.sfccn.org/providerinfo/records.html>.