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Dear Hospital Provider:

In an effort to provide relief related to unpaid outpatient diagnostic audiology and outpatient two-day date span claims, we have made system changes to allow the electronic processing for these claims that have passed the timely filing deadline. Please review the following carefully for dates and guidelines on submitting claims.

To receive payment for outpatient diagnostic audiology services and outpatient two-day date span claims, hospital providers must submit claims electronically. Claims past the timely filing deadline with dates of service July 1, 2008 through July 31, 2011 may be submitted electronically **February 1, 2012 through midnight February 17, 2012**. During that time, the timely filing edit, 0545, will be lifted for outpatient hospital diagnostic audiology claims using revenue code 471 and outpatient two-day date span claims using revenue code 450. Claims submitted after midnight **February 17, 2012** will be denied with the timely filing edit.

Please do not:

- Submit claims for dates of services prior to July 1, 2008. During this relief period, any payments for claims with a date of service prior to July 1, 2008 will be subject to recoupment.
- Submit claims electronically that have already been submitted to your Medicaid area office to force the timely filing edit. These will be handled by the area office staff.
- Submit new claims to the area offices to force the timely filing edit, but submit them electronically during the time period described above.

Florida Medicaid believes in strengthening the relationship and communication with our providers. We hope this will resolve many of your claim processing concerns. Thank you for the valuable services you provide to Florida's citizens. If you have questions, please contact your local Medicaid area office. You will find contact information at the following Web site: <http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid>.

Sincerely,



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