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Dear Medicaid Provider:

Florida Medicaid is implementing the revised CMS-1500 (08-05) claim form effective January 7, 2007. The revised CMS-1500 claim form instructions are in update January 2007 to the Florida Medicaid Provider Reimbursement Handbook, CMS-1500. The updated handbook is available on the Medicaid fiscal agent's website at <http://floridamedicaid.acs-inc.com>. Click on Provider Support, and then on Handbooks. If you are unable to log on to the Internet, you may obtain a paper copy of the handbook by calling the fiscal agent's Provider Inquiry line at 800-377-8216.

Concurrent with implementation of the revised CMS-1500 claim form on January 7, 2007, Medicaid providers billing HCPCS codes for drugs (J, Q or S codes) must report the drug's NDC code on the claim form.

Providers must use their Medicaid provider numbers on paper claim forms until May 23, 2007. After May 23, 2007, providers may use either their National Provider Identifiers (NPI), including taxonomy and/or ZIP + 4 if those values are part of the provider's Florida Medicaid NPI solution, or Florida Medicaid provider numbers when billing on the revised CMS-1500.

All rebilling of claims should use the revised CMS-1500 form from January 7, 2007 forward, even though earlier submissions may have been on the old CMS-1500 claim form. This includes exception claims that are sent to area Medicaid offices.

Please call your area Medicaid office if you have any questions. The area offices' telephone numbers are available on the Agency for Health Care Administration's website at <http://ahca.myflorida.com>. Click on Medicaid, and then on Area Offices. The area offices' telephone numbers are also listed in Appendix C of the Florida Medicaid Provider General Handbook.

We appreciate the services that you provide to Florida's Medicaid recipients.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Arnold
Deputy Secretary for Medicaid