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Dear Medicaid Provider:

Florida Medicaid is extending its acceptance period for the old CMS-1500 (12-90) claim form until June 1, 2007, to be consistent with Medicare's implementation date. Effective June 1, 2007, all paper CMS-1500 claims must be billed on the revised CMS-1500 (08-05) claim form.

An exception to this date is straight Medicaid claims for J, Q or S drug codes, which must be billed on the revised CMS-1500 (08-05) claim form in order to include the National Drug Code (NDC). There is not a field on the old CMS-1500 (12-90) claim form for the NDC, so providers billing drugs codes on paper claim forms must use the revised CMS-1500 (08-05) claim form. Edit 241, NDC missing, will deny for Medicaid fee-for-service claims processed on and after April 1, 2007.

On paper claims, enter the National Drug Code (NDC) in claim item 24. Enter the identifier N4 immediately followed by the NDC code in the shaded area above 24-A. Do not leave a space or place a hyphen or other separator between the N4 identifier and the NDC code. For electronic claims submitted in the 837 professional electronic claim format, loop 2410 LIN segment must contain the NDC number.

Medicaid will continue to accept Medicare-Medicaid crossover claims for J, Q or S drug codes that are billed on the old CMS-1500 (12-90) until June 1, 2007, to be consistent with Medicare's implementation date. Effective June 1, 2007, Medicare-Medicaid crossover claims for J, Q or S drug codes must be billed on the revised CMS-1500 (08-05) claim form in order to include the NDC or the claim will deny.

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,

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