



April 1, 2008

Subject: National Provider Identification (NPI)

Dear Kentucky Medicaid Pharmacy Provider:

The implementation of a hard cut-over for the National Provider Identification (NPI) will occur on May 1, 2008.

This cut-over does not apply to any other service provider, except Pharmacy Providers processing claims through the First Health Point of Sale (POS) system.

Beginning on May 1, 2008, Kentucky Medicaid via First Health's POS system will require Pharmacy Providers' NPI be submitted as the Service Provider ID (see grid below).

During this time between April 1, 2008 and May 1, 2008 the Kentucky POS system will continue accepting claims containing either the legacy pharmacy provider ID or the NPI.

However, a hard cut-over will occur on May 1, 2008. All Pharmacy Providers must comply with the NPI requirement for Service Provider ID by this date.

If you will be unable to submit your NPI by the cut-over date of May 1, 2008, please contact First Health Services at (502-607-8311) to discuss possible solutions.

At this time, please continue to submit claims with the legacy prescriber ID (State License Number) in the Prescriber ID field (NCPDP 411-DB).

NCPDP field	Current Value	New Value	Effective Date
Service Provider ID (NCPDP field 201-B1)	KY Medicaid ID	NPI	May 1, 2008
Service Provider ID Qualifier (NCPDP field 202-B2)	05	01	May 1, 2008
Prescriber ID (NCPDP field 411-DB)	State License Number	Prescriber NPI	On or after May 23, 2008
Prescriber ID Qualifier (NCPDP field 466-EZ)	08	01	On or after May 23, 2008