GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Health Care Finance

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TO: All District of Columbia Durable Medical Equipment Medicaid Providers

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SUBJECT: DC Medicaid requires referring provider number on DME/POS claims

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Section 6401(b)(ii)(7)(A),(B) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (i.e., Health Care Reform) requires that the NPI for any ordering or referring provider must be shown on any claim for payment that is based on an order or referral. Durable medical equipment (DME) and Prosthetics, Orthotics and Medical Supplies (POS), as a category of health care services, has been identified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid as subject to this new regulation. Having this information readily available in claims data will assist not only with any investigations and trending for potential fraud, but can and will be utilized for quality assurance within the DME program itself. Therefore, it is imperative that we have the mechanism in place with which to collect this claim information.

Beginning October 1, 2012, the Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) will require that all DME/POS Claims include the name and NPI of the physician/ARNP prescribing durable medical equipment or supplies. DME/POS providers should record and submit the prescribing physician/ARNP in the following manner:

CMS1500	Name entered in Field 17, NPI entered in Field 17B
837 P	Name entered in Loop 2310A NM107 segment & NPI entered in in Loop 2310A NM109 segment with qualifier XX in segment NM108.
Web Portal	Answer **yes** to the question: *is this service as a result of a referral?* Enter the NPI in the field referring provider and the name in the additional referring provider information.
WinAsap	In the drop down box for Reference Provider enter the NPI, Name, and Address. Click Save. Answer **no** to the question: *is this provider intended for Billing* or *Pay-To Plan provider?* Select the appropriate provider in the Referring Provider 1 drop down box in the professional claim data screen.

Questions regarding this policy should be directed to Claudia Schlosberg, Director, Health Care Policy and Research Administration at (202) 442-9107 or via email Claudia.schlosberg@dc.gov.

Questions regarding claims submission should be directed to Provider Services at (202) 906-8319 (inside DC Metro are) or (866) 752-9233 (outside of the DC Metro area).