

## Medicare Professional Paper Claim Guidelines for NPI

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### **January 2, 2007 - March 31, 2007:**

Medicare will accept either the HCFA-1500 (12/90) or the revised CMS-1500 (08/05) form.

### **April 1, 2007 - May 22, 2007:**

Only the revised CMS-1500 (08/05) form will be accepted. An NPI is not yet required on the CMS-1500 (08/05) form, but should be entered if a provider has obtained an NPI. It is strongly recommended that claim submitters enter the Medicare legacy number that corresponds to each NPI reported on the revised CMS-1500 (08/05) to avoid a possible processing delay. **Please note: During this time period, Medicare will reject any old HCFA-1500 (12/90) forms received with or without an NPI.**

### **May 23, 2007 and thereafter:**

Revised CMS-1500 (08/05) forms with associated NPI identifying data are required to be used. Forms received without an NPI to identify each provider for which data is reported on a claim, such as billing, rendering, referring or ordering physician, will be rejected by Medicare.