



News Flash - A new preventive services brochure entitled *Cancer Screenings*, ICN# 006434, is now available on the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Medicare Learning Network (MLN). This tri-fold brochure provides health care professionals with an overview of Medicare's coverage of the following screening services: mammography, colorectal, prostate, Pap test, and pelvic exam. The brochure is available at http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/Cancer_Screening.pdf on the CMS website.

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Update to Requirement to Submit National Provider Identifier (NPI) Notification

Provider Types Affected

Physicians, providers and suppliers, except durable medical equipment, prosthetics, orthotics, and supplies (DMEPOS) supplier, (hereinafter collectively referred to as "providers") who bill Medicare contractors (carriers, Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (A/B MACs) and Regional Home Health Intermediaries (RHHIs)) for claims for services provided to Medicare beneficiaries

What Providers Need to Know

Providers, except DMEPOS suppliers, are no longer required to submit to the Medicare contractor a copy of the NPI notification received from the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES), unless requested to do so by the contractor. Similarly, if the provider, except DMEPOS supplier, obtained the NPI via the Electronic File Interchange (EFI) mechanism, the provider need not submit a copy of the notification received from the EFI Organization (EFIO), unless requested to do so by the contractor. If paper documentation of a provider's NPI is requested by the contractor, the contractor may accept a copy of the provider's NPI Registry's Details Page in lieu of a copy of the NPI notification.

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Additional Information

If you have questions, please contact your Medicare A/B MAC, FI, RHHI, or carrier at their toll-free number which may be found at:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/CallCenterTollNumDirectory.zip> on the CMS website.

You may see the official instruction (CR5795) issued to your Medicare A/B MAC, FI, RHHI, or carrier by going to

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Transmittals/downloads/R227PI.pdf> on the CMS website.

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