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Affected Programs: BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, SeniorCare, Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program To: Family Planning Clinics, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Independent Labs, Pharmacies, Physician Clinics, Physicians, Podiatrists, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

ForwardHealth Will Require "01" in the Prescriber ID Qualifier Field on Point-of-Sale Real-Time Pharmacy Claims

Effective May 1, 2009, ForwardHealth will require the value "01" to be indicated in the Prescriber ID Qualifier field on Point-of-Sale Real-Time Pharmacy Claims.

Prescriber ID Qualifier

Effective May 1, 2009, ForwardHealth will be enforcing policy requiring the Prescriber ID Qualifier value "01" to be indicated on Point-of-Sale (POS) Real-Time Pharmacy Claims and Provider Electronic Solutions (PES) software claims. This is the only value that will be accepted for the Prescriber ID Qualifier. Claims submitted without "01" will be denied.

Note: Noncompound Drug Claim forms, F-13072 (10/08), and Compound Drug Claim forms, F-13073 (10/08), do not require a Prescriber ID.

A value of "01" in the Prescriber ID Qualifier field (466-EZ) indicates that the Prescriber ID field (411-DB) contains a National Provider Identifier (NPI) for the prescribing provider.

Refer to the ForwardHealth interChange National Council for Prescription Drug Programs Version 5.1 (NCPDP 5.1) companion document, P-13052 (12/08), in the Trading Partner area of the ForwardHealth Portal at *www.forwardhealth.wi.gov/* for more information.

Prescriber ID

Providers are reminded that with ForwardHealth's full implementation of NPI in November 2008, NPI is the only identifier accepted in the Prescriber ID field on POS claims. Billing providers are required to make every effort possible to obtain the prescribing provider's NPI. Only in instances when the billing provider is unable to obtain the prescriber's NPI, may the billing provider indicate his or her own NPI in the Prescriber ID field.

Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) numbers, including "default" DEA numbers, are no longer accepted for the Prescriber ID on POS claims.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

This *ForwardHealth Update* contains fee-for-service policy for members enrolled in Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus who receive pharmacy services on a feefor-service basis only. Pharmacy services for Medicaid members enrolled in the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) and the Family Care Partnership are provided by the member's managed care organization (MCO). Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus HMOs must provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service. Members who are enrolled in Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program only are not enrolled in MCOs.

The *ForwardHealth Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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