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MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM Therapy Group Transmittal No. 3 December 17, 2020

TO:	Therapy Group Providers
FROM:	Alex Shekhdar, Acting Director Alexader Shellha Medical Benefits Management
RE:	Enrolling Rendering Maryland Medicaid Providers – REVISED PROCEDURE
NOTE:	Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed the contents of this transmittal.

On November 16, 2020, the Fee-for-Service Medicaid Program (the Program) notified providers via <u>Therapy Group Transmittal No. 2</u>, that some provider groups would receive a new Medicaid number. Upon further evaluation, an alternate process has been identified that will allow providers to continue using their current Medicaid provider numbers for claims processing. No new provider numbers will be assigned.

While the edit requiring enrolled rendering provider numbers submitted on the claim was to be made effective on January 1, 2021, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) has decided to allow providers additional time to enroll rendering providers. Therefore, effective March 1, 2021 the Program will activate the edit requiring the NPI of the individual/rendering provider to be included on the claim. Therefore, **all claims** submitted on or after **March 1, 2021** without the NPI of the enrolled individual/rendering provider will be denied.

Any provider who renders services on behalf of a therapy group and is not currently enrolled with the Program, must enroll to avoid future claim denials. No action is required for therapy group enrollment, although the group may have to approve the rendering provider's affiliation. To enroll as an individual/rendering PT, OT, or SLP, please visit <u>eprep.health.maryland.gov</u>. For more information and ePREP resources, please visit <u>health.maryland.gov/providerinfo</u>.

You may verify a provider's active enrollment status using the Provider Verification System (PVS). Please access the PVS at: https://encrypt.emdhealthchoice.org/searchableProv/main.action.

If you have questions regarding this requirement, please contact Stephanie Hood, Program Specialist, by phone at (410)767-3998 or by email at <u>Stephanie.hood@maryland.gov</u>.

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