

MARYLAND MEDICAID PHARMACY PROGRAM

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In an effort to give timely notice to the pharmacy community concerning important pharmacy topics, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's (DHMH) **Maryland Pharmacy Program** (MPP) has developed the **Maryland Pharmacy Program Advisory**. To expedite information timely to the pharmacy and prescriber communities, an email network has been established which incorporates the email lists of the Maryland Pharmacists Association, EPIC, CARE, Long Term Care Consultants, headquarters of all chain drugstores and prescriber associations and organizations. It is our hope that the information is disseminated to all interested parties. If you have not received this email through any of the previously noted parties or via DHMH, please contact the MPP representative at 410-767-1455.

National Provider Identifier (NPI) Information for Pharmacy Providers Maryland Medicaid (MA) Kidney Disease Program (KDP) Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program (MADAP) Breast & Cervical Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment Program (BCCDT)

Effective March 1, 2008

• The pharmacy point-of-sale claims processor for the above Programs will **ONLY** accept the NPI number from pharmacy providers which are billed using the following:

	PCN from Pharm to	NCPDP group ID
ACS BIN	ACS	from Pharm
610084	DRMDPROD	MDMEDICAID
610084	DRKDPROD	MDKDP
610084	DRAPPROD	MADAP
610084	DRDTPROD	MDBCCDT

- Pharmacy claims submitted with the NCPDP number will deny
- Pharmacies will receive a return message on claims submitted with the NCPDP number "Non-matched pharmacy number"

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• For pharmacy providers that have yet to obtain an NPI number from CMS, information about this process and a registry of NPI numbers already assigned is available online at https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/Welcome.do

Physician DEA number on pharmacy claim

- Until further notice continue to use the physician DEA (not the NPI number) on pharmacy claims
- This practice will continue until a national match of DEA to NPI numbers (crosswalk) has been issued. Further notice will be issued when use of the physician NPI number on pharmacy claims becomes mandatory

Managed Care Organizations

• Medicaid MCOs will be notifying pharmacies directly of their NPI requirements