Date: 11/29/06

## **Web Announcement 115**

## NPI and New Claim Forms: Are You Ready for 2007?

Nevada Medicaid/Nevada Check Up providers who are required or eligible to obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI) must enter their NPI on claims received at First Health Services on or after May 23, 2007. NPIs are free and providers may apply for theirs online at <a href="https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov">https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov</a>. To request a paper application or if you have questions concerning the NPI application, call

(800) 465-3203 or send an e-mail to customerservice@npienumerator.com.

Once you obtain your NPI, please furnish your number to First Health Services as soon as possible by returning the questionnaires that are being mailed to all providers, or by completing and mailing the <u>Provider Information Change</u> Form (FH-33).

Providers who are not required or eligible to obtain an NPI will be issued an Atypical Provider Identifier (API) by First Health Services in January 2007.

You must continue to enter your current nine-digit Provider Medicaid Number in the appropriate fields on all claims with date of receipt at First Health Services on or before May 22, 2007. In addition, you may begin entering your NPI/API in the appropriate fields of the new claim forms when those forms go into effect.

**Remember:** The new versions of the CMS-1500 (08/05) and 2006 ADA claim forms can be used to submit Nevada Medicaid/Nevada Check Up claims received at First Health Services on or after Jan. 2, 2007. New claim form instructions are posted on this website.

