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CMS Urges Providers to Share Your NPI

According to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), once providers have received their National Provider Identifiers (NPIs), they should share their NPIs with other providers with whom they do business and with health plans that request their NPIs. In fact, as outlined in current regulation, providers must share their NPI with any entity that may need it for billing purposes – including those who need it to designate the ordering or referring physician. Providers should also consider allowing health plans, or institutions for whom they work, to share their NPIs for them.

For more tips, please review the attached <u>"Additional Reminders from CMS Regarding NPI."</u>

