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***Important Information for Medicare Providers***

**Urgent: Test Your Medicare Claims Now!**

After Medicare providers have submitted claims containing both NPIs and legacy identifiers and those claims have been paid, Medicare urges these providers to send a small batch of claims now with **only the NPI** in the primary provider fields. If the results are positive, begin increasing the number of claims in the batch.

(Reminder: For institutional claims, the primary provider fields are the Billing and Pay-to Provider fields. For professional claims, the primary provider fields are the Billing, Pay-to, and Rendering Provider fields. If the Pay-to Provider is the same as the Billing Provider, the Pay-to Provider does not need to be identified.)

**Save the Date – National NPI Roundtable Scheduled for 2/6/2008**

**CMS will host a national NPI Roundtable on Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 – 4PM ET. This call will focus on the status of the Medicare implementation and a related question and answer session. Registration details will be sent to you as soon as available.**

***Need More Information?***

Not sure what an NPI is and how you can get it, share it and use it? As always, more information and education on the NPI can be found through the CMS NPI page [www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand) on the CMS website. Providers can apply for an NPI online at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov> or can call the NPI enumerator to request a paper application at 1-800-465-3203. Having trouble viewing any of the URLs in this message? If so, try to cut and paste any URL in this message into your web browser to view the intended information.

**Note: All current and past CMS NPI communications are available by clicking "CMS Communications" in the left column of the [www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/NationalProvIdentStand) CMS webpage.**

***Getting an NPI is free - not having one can be costly.***