



NETWORK *Notification*

Notice Date: July 28, 2020
To: Ohio MyCare Providers
From: CareSource
Subject: National Provider Identifier Requirement Reminder

Summary

As part of CareSource's commitment to continuous improvement, we are focused on ensuring quality care for all of our members through active provider engagement. The Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 5160-1-17 took effect on November 25, 2019 and requires all providers to obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI) number. Providers must ensure their NPI is updated with CareSource, which can be completed through the [Provider Portal](#).

The NPI is a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Administrative Simplification Standard. It is a unique identification number for covered health care providers. Covered health care providers and all health plans, as well as health clearinghouses, must use NPIs in the administrative and financial transactions adopted under HIPAA. The NPI is a 10-position, intelligence-free numeric identifier (10-digit number). This means that the numbers do not carry other information about healthcare providers, such as the state in which they live or their medical specialty. The NPI must be used in lieu of legacy provider identifiers in the HIPAA standard transactions.

Please visit [Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' \(CMS\) website](#) for more information about the NPI.

Impact

In accordance with paragraph D of the rule, any provider identified by the National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) with a provider taxonomy number must obtain an NPI and report it to Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) upon enrollment. If you currently do not have an NPI, please refer to the [ODM National Provider Identifier Reference Guide](#) for more information on how to obtain it.

Questions?

For questions, please contact Provider Services at **1-800-488-0134** (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.)

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