



NETWORK *Notification*

Notice Date: June 10, 2026
To: Ohio Medicaid and CareSource MyCare Ohio Providers
From: CareSource
Subject: OAC Rule 5160-1-17.9 Ordering, Referring and Prescribing Providers
Effective Date: January 1, 2027

Summary

The Ordering, Referring, or Prescribing (ORP) provider's National Provider Identifier (NPI) number must be submitted on claims that are submitted by or for the ordering, referring, or prescribing providers. Claims submitted without the ORP provider's NPI number are subject to rejection or denial. This requirement ensures compliance with 42 CFR 455.440 and Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Rule 5160-1-17.9.

Impact

This rule applies to all Ohio Medicaid enrolled providers delivering services through managed care entities (MCEs) and the fee-for-service program. Claims and encounters for certain services must include the ORP provider's NPI to be processed.

Key Provider Education Components:

Provider Types Eligible as ORP-Only (Reporting-Only) Providers:

The following practitioners can enroll as "reporting-only" or "ORP-only" providers and must be identified on claims as the attending, ordering, or referring provider within their scope of practice:

- Physicians (20)
- Physician Assistants (24)
- Chiropractors (27)
- Dentists (30)
- Optometrists (35)
- Podiatrists (36)
- Licensed Psychologists (42)
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurses:
 - Clinical Nurse Specialists (65)
 - Certified Nurse Midwives (71)
 - Certified Nurse Practitioners (72)

Services Requiring ORP NPI Reporting:

- Skilled therapies (physical, occupational, speech therapy, audiology) require ordering provider NPI for Federally Qualified Health Centers (provider type 12), Rural Health Centers (05), and Clinics (50).
- Durable Medical Equipment (DME), imaging, radiology, and laboratory services require ordering provider NPI.
- Consultation codes (99242-99255) require referring provider NPI when rendered by Physician, PA, or APRN.

- Dental services such as CT scans, anesthesia, dentures, and comprehensive dental treatment require ordering provider NPI.
- Transportation services including ground ambulance and wheelchair van transports require ordering provider NPI.
- Behavioral health agencies (provider types 84, 95) require ordering provider NPI for laboratory services and select nursing services (withdrawal management, medication administration, evaluation and management 99211 by RN/LPN).
- Home health (nursing, skilled therapy, aide, private duty), hospice, and various nursing facility services require ordering or attending provider NPI as applicable.

Institutional Claims Attending Practitioner NPI Requirement:

- Hospitals (01), Psychiatric Hospitals (02), PRTF (03), Nursing Facilities (86), State Operated ICF (88), Non-State Operated ICF (89).

Professional Claims Ordering Practitioner NPI Requirement:

- Durable Medical Equipment Suppliers (76), Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities (79), Independent Laboratories (80).

Compliance & Enforcement

- Starting January 1, 2027, claims missing required ORP provider NPIs will be denied by CareSource.
- Providers must ensure ORP NPIs are valid and enrolled in the Provider Network Management system.
- Providers not yet enrolled as required ORP providers should be directed to enroll via the Provider Network Management (PNM) module.

Questions?

For questions related to this communication, please contact:

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