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Dear Health Officer:

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is notifying all Local Health Departments (LHDs) of its successful National Provider Identifier (NPI) pilot testing of claims received from a select group of LHDs. The test results indicated that the NPIs reported on the claim within both the billing and rendering provider loop/fields are being correctly cross walked to the internal Medicaid legacy provider number to all of the specialty areas such as Maternal Infant Health Program, Family Planning Clinics, Laboratories, Immunizations, or Vision and Hearing Services.

Effective immediately, LHDs are encouraged to submit all claims reporting the NPI by following the standard claim completion instructions for the HIPAA compliant 4010A1 837 electronic professional/dental formats (or) the CMS-1500 (08/05) and ADA-2006 paper claim forms.

For LHDs, a Type 2 (Group/Business) NPI is required to be reported within the billing provider loop/field as the primary provider identifier. The Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) is mandatory as a secondary identifier.

The rendering provider field must also be completed with the Type 1 (individual) NPI of the healthcare professional providing the service. If the rendering provider is not enrolled by MDCH, then the medical director's NPI must be listed instead. The billing and rendering NPI reported on the claim should never be the same number.

MDCH appreciates the patience and cooperation of the LHDs as the Program worked through these complex claim issues. A team of dedicated staff will continue to be available to answer any outstanding questions or concerns. Questions may be directed to Provider Inquiry through e-mail at [ProviderSupport@michigan.gov](mailto:ProviderSupport@michigan.gov) or by using the toll-free phone number at 1-800-292-2550.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Paul Reinhart'.

Paul Reinhart, Director  
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cc: Medical Director