

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, Blue Plus and FirstPlan of Minnesota NPI Contingency Plan

NPI Contingency Plan Adoption Statement:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, Blue Plus and FirstPlan of Minnesota are officially adopting an NPI Contingency Plan, in accordance with CMS NPI Contingency Guidance and applicable regulations

Key Contingency Plan Dates:

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, Blue Plus and FirstPlan of Minnesota will accept/send, as applicable, the following identifiers in HIPAA electronic transactions, in the manner and for the purposes specified herein:

Lists of transactions timetable applies to:

837P 837I 837D 835 270/271 276/277 278

Identifier	Primary Providers (Billing/Pay To; Rendering)	Secondary Providers (Referring, Ordering, Operating, Other)
Legacy ID Only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legacy IDs ONLY will continue to be sent through 05/23/08 on 835's for claims received with legacy IDs only. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
NPI + Legacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Legacy IDs will be sent through 05/23/08 on 835s for claims received with NPI + Legacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A
NPI Only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All providers will be notified when we are ready to send NPI Only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A

Note: for definition of Primary and Secondary Providers see CMS FAQ 6926 – http://questions.cms.hhs.gov/cgi-bin/cmshhs.cfg/php/enduser/std_alp.php?p_sid= 2OWAqAi

Paper Forms:

Usage of NPI on paper forms will follow the same requirements as electronic transaction (in terms of sending NPI only, NPI+Legacy, or Legacy only).

Atypical Providers:

If you are not eligible for an NPI, you are considered an atypical provider and will continue to receive your legacy provider ID on all electronic and paper transactions including remittances and payments.