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## NPI Implementation and New Claim Form Requirement

As previously communicated, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas (BCBSKS) is preparing to implement processing of claims with the mandated National Provider Identifier (NPI) **only**. This mandate calls for providers and payors to use the NPI no later than May 23, 2008. In short, legacy numbers should not be included on claims submitted on or after that date. In addition, BCBSKS intends to reject or return claims submitted without a valid NPI.

To facilitate this mandate, BCBSKS will require that all paper dental claims be submitted on the latest version of the ADA claim form (J400), which can be found in the CDT-2007/2008 reference manual. **Beginning May 23, 2008, claims submitted on any other dental form will be returned to the provider.**

Please remember, the NPI will be the sole source of provider identification on all remittance advices, the secure BCBSKS Web site, and within all EDI transactions.

BCBSKS would like to thank all of our contracting dentists who have been very cooperative in obtaining their NPI and furnishing it to us. We are already accepting the latest claim form and many providers are currently submitting it along with their NPI.



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