



**NOTICE TO HOSPITAL PROVIDERS: DELAY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF NDC DENIAL EDITS FOR OUTPATIENT HOSPITAL CLAIMS ONLY**

THIS CHANGE APPLIES TO HOSPITALS ONLY. CLAIM DENIALS FOR PHYSICIAN AND HEMODIALYSIS PROVIDERS WILL BE EFFECTIVE ON APRIL 1, 2009 AS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED.

DHH has learned that Medicare will implement the requirement for transmitting NDC data on electronically submitted claims effective July 1, 2009. In an effort to allow hospital providers to make any systems changes needed to accommodate both the Medicaid and Medicare requirement, we are postponing the implementation of Medicaid claim denial edits related to the entry of NDC data on claims for outpatient hospital claims until July 1, 2009.

Edits related to outpatient hospital NDC claim data will continue to be educational edits through June 30, 2009. The NDC edits are 120, 127, and 231.

The NDC data requirement is applicable for claims with dates of service March 1, 2008 forward. Thus, any outpatient hospital claim resubmittals with dates of service on or after March 1, 2008 will deny beginning with processing date July 1, 2009 if the necessary NDC data is not present on the claim.

Hospital providers must be prepared to submit required NDC data on applicable claims by the new processing effective date of July 1, 2009.