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Individual Personal Care Assistant (PCA) Enrollment and National Provider Identifier Requirement

Attention provider types 30 (Personal Care Services - Provider Agency), 48 (Home and Community Based Waiver for the Frail Elderly), 58 (Home and Community Based Waiver for Persons with Physical Disabilities) and 83 (Personal Care Services - Intermediary Service Organization):

Currently Personal Care Services (PCS) Agencies enroll as Medicaid providers under the following provider types: 30, 48, 58 and/or 83. In order to differentiate between the billing provider (PCS Agency) and the servicing provider (personal care assistants), Nevada Medicaid will be requiring that all personal care assistants (PCAs) obtain a National Provider Identifier (NPI), and enroll as a Medicaid provider under the provider type(s) for which they provide services, i.e., PTs 30, 48, 58 and/or 83.

A targeted start date to begin the enrollment process will be within the next few months; however, the first step to enrollment requires each PCA to obtain an NPI through the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov> or by calling (800) 465-3203. There is no cost associated with obtaining an NPI. **Please note it may take up to three (3) weeks to obtain these numbers. Failure by the PCAs to obtain an NPI could delay payment for services rendered; therefore, Nevada Medicaid suggests starting the process now.** The NPI must be obtained through the NPPES directly by going to the NPPES website or by calling the number above for assistance. Nevada Medicaid does not issue NPIs.

When the NPI requirement is implemented, the NPI of the PCA will be required on claims. The NPI of the PCA is not required for the prior authorization process.

Survey Request:

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) and Nevada Medicaid Provider Enrollment would like to get an idea of the number of individual PCAs that will be enrolling as a Medicaid provider. All enrolled PCS Agencies are asked to complete a short online survey within two weeks of the date of this web announcement.

To access the PCA Enrollment Project survey, please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/D535JK9>.