



PROVIDER ALERT

PROVIDER BILLING NOTICE - **UPDATE** MEDICAID PROVIDER TYPES: 20 (GROUPS), 27, 32, 50, MC, PRP

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This is a clarification to the original Billing Notice sent October 2, 2015 (<http://maryland.beaconhealthoptions.com/provider/alerts/2015/100215-NPI-MA-Number-Assignment.pdf>). This alert is applicable for all groups, including physician groups, and facilities that bill the Public Behavioral Health System through Beacon Health Options.

Providers who operate in a group practice type or are licensed by the Behavioral Health Administration are required to have separate MA/NPI numbers per site per service type. For example, an OMHC operating at two separate locations would have two MA/NPI numbers based on each of the BHA license locations. If the business also operates a Provider Type 32 program, the site and service would have its own MA/NPI number based on that BHA license of those services.

Another example may be a provider organization that offers OMHC, PRP and supported employment services. Each service should have its own unique MA/NPI combination. Providers will need to bill each service with the appropriate MA/NPI combination.

Maryland Medicaid has worked diligently with providers to comply with this requirement. However, some of these practices still have a duplicate NPI, or some practices have outdated or defunct NPI numbers that are linked to their service or location. This creates system issues for authorization and claims processing by the ASO.

Please contact mdh.bhenrollment@maryland.gov to confirm your program or groups MA/NPI combinations and the staff of the Medicaid Behavioral Health Unit will assist you. This only applies to groups and programs- individual practitioners will have to confirm their MA/NPI using the provider enrollment hotline .[1-844-463-7768](tel:1-844-463-7768)

If it is discovered that you, your group or your program is billing the public behavioral health system and has an MA/NPI combination error, payments may be withheld or retracted until the issue is resolved.

Again, you may contact mdh.bhenrollment@maryland.gov for any questions regarding this requirement.

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