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National Provider Identifier (NPI) Legacy Dual Strategy

Following the NPI Contingency Plan announcement by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on Monday, April 2, 2007, the Department of Human Services (DHS) implemented an NPI Contingency plan. The tables in this Quick Tip are designed to provide contingency information at a glance. The contingency plan only pertains to the Billing and Rendering provider identification numbers. All secondary provider IDs may continue to submit with the legacy number until May 23, 2008. Effective June 1, 2007 through May 22, 2008, providers will have the ability to submit NPI only, Legacy only, or Both (Legacy & NPI.)

If Provider Submits

- ✓ **Legacy Only** – Claim will Pay

- ✓ **Legacy & NPI** – The submitted Legacy number will be used to process the claim. The NPI will be crosswalked to the Legacy number on which the provider registered that NPI. If the crosswalked Legacy number does not match the Legacy submitted on the claim, the submitted Legacy number will be used for processing and the provider will be informed that the numbers did not match or could not be crosswalked. It is strongly encouraged that providers use this option to ensure that the NPI they have registered with DHS matches the NPI they are submitting on claims.

- ✓ **NPI Only** – Claim will Pay if NPI is registered and validated with DHS and can be crosswalked to a valid Legacy number for processing. Providers are encouraged to consider this option only after they have successfully tested their NPI number using the Legacy and NPI option described above.

Effective May 23, 2008 providers must submit their NPI numbers or their claims will deny!

CONTINGENCY INFORMATION TABLES

HIPAA-Standard Transactions (Other than Pharmacy)

	Legacy Dual **6/1/07 → 1/31/08**	**NPI Dual** **2/1/08 → 5/22/08**	**NPI Only** **5/23/08**
Legacy Only	Process using Legacy	**Deny**	**Deny**
Legacy & NPI	Process using Legacy	Process using NPI	Process using NPI
NPI Only	Process using NPI	Process using NPI	Process using NPI

Pharmacy (NCPDP) Claims

	Legacy or NPI **6/1/07 → 5/22/08**	**NPI Only** **5/23/08**
Legacy Only	Process using Legacy	**Deny**
Legacy & NPI	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
NPI Only	Process using NPI	Process using NPI

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