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Enrollment of Physician Assistants

Physician Assistants (PAs) who order, refer, or prescribe items or services to Medical Assistance (MA) beneficiaries need to enroll as participating providers in the MA program.

Historically PAs have not enrolled as MA program providers. However, as required by the Affordable Care Act and implementing regulation all providers including those who order, refer, or prescribe items or services for MA beneficiaries must enroll in the MA program.

Beginning April 1, 2016, PROMISe™ returned an informational message to remind providers about the requirement that the ordering, referring, or prescribing provider must enroll in the MA program. The informational message states that the ordering, referring or prescribing provider is “not on file”. “Not on file” means that the National Provider Identifier (NPI) number entered on the claim does not match the NPI number of an enrolled MA program provider. Beginning September 25, 2016, claims will deny if the ordering, referring or prescribing provider is not enrolled in the MA program.

PAs who order, refer, or prescribe items or services to MA should access the Department of Human Services’ Enrollment Information website at the following link:

<http://www.dhs.pa.gov/provider/healthcaremedicalassistance/enrollmentinformation/index.htm>

PAs should complete and submit a provider type **10 – Mid Level Practitioner** application. Please review the “Requirements/Additional Information” instructions on what to include when submitting the application. PAs are not currently able to use the online application and must submit a paper application.

Thank you for your service to our MA recipients.
We value your participation.
Check the department’s website often at: www.dhs.pa.gov

