

## **Behavioral Health Redesign Brief:**

### **July 1, 2017 is the New Effective Date for Submitting Rendering & Ordering Practitioner NPIs On Medicaid Claims**

#### **New Effective Date for Rendering and Ordering Practitioner Enrollment and Reporting on Medicaid Claims:**

Beginning with **dates of service on and after July 1, 2017**, Ohio behavioral health providers **must submit a rendering practitioner's National Provider Identifier (NPI) on their Medicaid claims**. **The previous effective date of January 1, 2017 has been moved to July 1, 2017** in order to give provider agencies and Medicaid managed care plans more time to update and test their information technology systems and to allow more time for Ohio Medicaid to process individual behavioral health practitioner Medicaid enrollments. Because of this change, the requirement to include an ordering practitioner (MD, DO, CNP, CNS or PA) on all claims rendered by Registered Nurses or Licensed Practical Nurses is also moved to July 1, 2017.

**NOTE: Medicaid behavioral health claims for dates of service through June 30, 2017 should continue to be submitted with the rendering field blank.**

**Rendering practitioners must enroll in Ohio Medicaid and affiliate with their employing agencies ASAP.** Many community behavioral health agencies have already enrolled their independent practitioners and affiliated them with their agency. It is critical that rendering practitioners enroll and affiliate as soon as possible to avoid claims denials and cash flow problems that can result from claims denials. Claims for dates of service July 1, 2017 and later that do not include the required rendering practitioner or modifier will be denied.

Please see the **MITS BITS** listed and linked below for more detail on which practitioners are required to enroll and how to enroll in MITS:

- [February 3, 2016](#) "Ohio Medicaid Registration for Rendering Practitioners"
- [April 19, 2016](#) "Step by Step Instructions: Enrolling Rendering Practitioners in MITS"
- [July 7, 2016](#) "Update on Rendering Practitioner Enrollment & Agency Affiliation"

#### **ODM Offers Technical Assistance on Enrolling Rendering Practitioners**

The Ohio Department of Medicaid has **established a Medicaid mailbox** to answer questions from behavioral health providers **regarding MITS enrollment of rendering practitioners and agency revalidation**.

The mailbox address is [bh-enroll@medicaid.ohio.gov](mailto:bh-enroll@medicaid.ohio.gov).

In addition, **OhioMHAS and ODM will host a webinar on Medicaid enrollment on October 6<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 – 4:00 pm.**

**The webinar** will provide step by step instructions on enrolling as an agency, enrolling as individual practitioners, how to affiliate individual practitioners with agencies and respond to provider agency questions.

**Register for the webinar here:**

<https://deloitteevents.webex.com/deloitteevents/onstage/g.php?MTID=e456f5685819a28b819e37bd91950bae3>