NY Medicaid to Implement Medicare Crossover

NYS Medicaid is working to implement a claim crossover system for providers. Upon implementation, Medicaid will accept electronic claims directly from Medicare for those beneficiaries who also have NY Medicaid coverage. Medicaid will then be able to issue payments to providers for the amounts indicated by Medicare as Patient Responsibility (coinsurance, deductibles and copayments).

Once the crossover system is implemented, providers will no longer need to submit these claims as separate claims to both Medicare and Medicaid. They will simply submit them to Medicare.

It is crucial that the NPI used on the claims submitted to Medicare also be a NPI that is enrolled with Medicaid. If you submit your claims to Medicare with a NPI that is not enrolled with Medicaid, the claims will be rejected and returned to GHI. If you use a NPI to bill Medicare which is not enrolled with Medicaid you must contact the NYS Medicaid Enrollment Unit at 800-342-3005.

For those providers who receive electronic remittances (835), you will want to ensure that you have designated a default ETIN on your file. Your default ETIN will be used for sending electronic remittances for crossover claims, as well as remittances for your submitted paper claims. If a default ETIN is not designated, all crossover claims will be reported to you on a paper remittance.

To designate an ETIN as your default ETIN, you must fill out and return to CSC the Electronic Remittance Request Form available on the www.emedny.org website. To access the Form just go to *Featured Links on the eMedNY.org home page, click on Provider Enrollment Forms and go to Provider Maintenance Forms, click on Electronic Remittance Request Form.
To designate an existing ETIN as a default ETIN you must check the box in item #4 of the Form in addition to filling out items 1, 2 and if applicable #3.

Implementation of the Medicare crossover system is scheduled for December 2009. Please watch future Medicaid Updates and the eMedNY website, www.emedny.org for further details.