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## TAXONOMY & ND MEDICAID PROVIDERS

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Taxonomy codes are national codes used by providers to indicate the type of services and products they deliver. Taxonomy is a unique alphanumeric code, ten characters in length. The code is structured in three distinct levels, including Provider Type, Classification, and Area of Specialization. ND Health Enterprise MMIS requires the submission of provider taxonomy codes on all claims (both paper and electronic), in conjunction with the provider's National Provider Identifier (NPI).

The NPI and taxonomy combination is used to identify a provider and generates the system edits that pertain to pricing and funding for appropriate claim adjudication. **It is critically important that all claims submitted to ND Health Enterprise include each provider's NPI and taxonomy code to ensure proper claim adjudication.** The taxonomy code that is on the claim should be the same taxonomy code assigned to the ND Health Enterprise MMIS enrollment record.

The exception to the taxonomy requirement is "atypical providers" defined by CMS as non-medical providers who do not furnish direct healthcare services. These providers do not have a taxonomy code. Examples of atypical providers may include, but are not limited to:

- Nonemergency transportation
- Physical alterations to living quarters for the purpose of accommodating disabilities
- Vehicle modifications
- Some Medicaid Home & Community Based services
- Community Health Aids or Practitioners
- Adult day care providers
- Care coordinators

Current Legacy MMIS providers may be submitting taxonomy codes on their claims. However, it is important to be aware that the taxonomy code used previously may not align with the set of valid taxonomy codes designated by ND Medicaid for use in the new ND Health Enterprise MMIS. The valid taxonomy codes utilized by ND Medicaid for individual and group providers are available at <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/mmis/materials.html>.

If you are unsure of the taxonomy code selected during the ND Health Enterprise MMIS enrollment process, you may review your individual enrollment election at <http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/mmis.html>.

It is important that providers use the taxonomy code assigned to their enrollment application during the approval process. Any questions about your enrollment information, including taxonomy change requests, can be directed to Provider Enrollment at [dhsenrollment@nd.gov](mailto:dhsenrollment@nd.gov).

For your convenience, specific information detailing the provider taxonomy values required on ND Health Enterprise claims is presented in tables on the following page. Table 1 identifies the X12 EDI HIPAA compliant transaction loops where taxonomy values are required. Table 2 details the specific block on paper claim forms where taxonomy information must be entered.

**Table 1: Taxonomy Requirements by Claim Form – Electronic Claims**

| Provider Type      | Electronic Claims   |            |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|
|                    | 837P                | 837I       | 837D                |
| Billing Provider   | Loop 2000A          | Loop 2000A | Loop 2000A          |
| Rendering Provider | (Header) Loop 2310B |            | (Header) Loop 2310B |
| Rendering Provider | (Line) Loop 2420A - |            | (Line) Loop 2420A - |
| Attending Provider |                     | Loop 2310A |                     |
| Assistant Surgeon  |                     |            | (Header) Loop 2310D |
| Assistant Surgeon  |                     |            | (Line) Loop 2420B   |

**Table 2: Taxonomy Requirements by Claim Form – Paper Claims**

| Provider Type            | Paper Claims |            |            |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|
|                          | CMS 1500     | UB 04      | ADA Dental |
| Billing Provider         | 33b          | 81         | 52a        |
| Rendering Provider       | 24j *        | 78 or 79 * |            |
| Referring Provider       | 17a *        | 78 or 79 * |            |
| Attending Provider       |              | 76 *       |            |
| Operating Provider       |              | 77 *       |            |
| Other Operating Provider |              | 78 or 79 * |            |
| Ordering Provider        | 17a *        |            |            |
| Supervising Provider     | 17a *        |            |            |
| Treating Dentist         |              |            | 56a        |

\*May be situational