



News Flash – Are you ready for the new Medicare provider authentication process at Fiscal Intermediaries (FIs), Carriers, or Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs)? Effective April 6, 2009, for all Medicare provider telephone and written inquiries to your Medicare claims processing contractors, inquirers will need to give the last five digits of the provider's tax identification number (TIN) in addition to the provider's national provider identifier (NPI) and provider transaction access number (PTAN). In addition, inquirers will only be allowed three attempts to provide the correct NPI, PTAN, and last five digits of the TIN. You can find more information about the new provider authentication requirements for Medicare inquiries to your Medicare claims processing contractors by going to the MLN Matters article related to CR 6139, located at <http://www.cms.gov/outreach-and-education/medicare-learning-network-mln/mlnmattersarticles/downloads/MM6139.pdf> on the CMS website.

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Clarification on Provider Information Required on Medicare Claims for Routine Foot Care Services

Provider Types Affected

This article is for informational purposes only for providers billing Medicare contractors (carriers or Part A/B Medicare Administrative Contractors (MACs)) for routine foot care services. It is an overview of existing policy and no change in policy is being conveyed.

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