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Subject: Update on new NPI informational edits and new EDI front-end edits

Dear Submitter:

We recently communicated details regarding informational edits that will be returned in a U277 report or transaction effective March 28, 2008. Our systems will generate these informational edits on claims submitted with both an NPI and a BCBSM PIN when specific processing situations are encountered.

We will change this process on April 8, 2008, to identify informational edits with a Claim Status Category Code of A2 (*Acknowledgement/Acceptance into adjudication system-The claim/encounter has been accepted into the adjudication system*). They are currently returned with a Claim Status Category Code of A3 (*Acknowledgement/Returned as unprocessable claim-The claim/encounter has been rejected and has not been entered into the adjudication system*).

Note: if a claim generates both front-end edits and informational edits, applicable claims will be returned twice (once including the front-end edits and a second time with the informational edits).

When a front-end edit is returned the claim must be corrected and resubmitted. An informational edit is a *warning message* intended to alert you to a problem with the reported NPI/PIN numbers. At this time claims generating informational edits are being accepted and processed unless you receive a separate front-end edit. At a future date, informational edits will become front-end edits requiring correction and resubmission of the claim.

If you have questions regarding this change, please call the EDI help desk at 800-542-0945, option 5.

Sincerely,

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