

Individual vs Organizational NPIs

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National Provider Identifier (NPI)

A National Provider Identifier (NPI) is a 10-digit numerical unique identifier and a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) standard. NPI replaced the numerous different provider numbers previously issued by each payer with a single identifier that is used across all health plans.

There are 2 different types of NPIs; **Type 1 (individual)** and **Type 2 (organizational)**.

All clinical providers need to obtain a type 1 (individual) NPI number. This number will identify the provider who rendered services to a patient and needs to be reported on claim forms sent to payers.

Group practices that bill with a group tax identification number (TIN) should also apply for a Type 2, organizational NPI. This Type 2 NPI number should be used to complete enrollments with payers and for billing purposes. For group practices, individual providers' NPIs will be linked to the group NPI in the payer's system and both reported on claim forms submitted for reimbursement.

1500 Claim Form - Professional Claims

- Box 24J - rendering provider NPI number

	24. A. DATE(S) OF SERVICE			B. PLACE OF SERVICE	C. EMG	D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES (Explain Unusual Circumstances) CPT/HCPCS MODIFIER	E. DIAGNOSIS POINTER	F. \$ CHARGES	G. DAYS OR UNITS	H. EPBDT Family Plan	I. ID. QUAL	J. RENDERING PROVIDER ID. #	LICENSING INFORMATION
	From MM DD YY	To MM DD YY											
1												NPI	
2												NPI	

- Box 33A - individual (type 1) NPI number for sole practitioners or organizational (type 2) NPI number for practice groups

33. BILLING PROVIDER INFO & PH # ()

UB04 Claim Form - Institutional Claims

- Box 56 - NPI of the billing provider (could be individual or organizational)

50 PAYER NAME	51 HEALTH PLAN ID	52 PBL INFO	53 NPI GEN	54 PRIOR PAYMENTS	55 EST. AMOUNT DUE	56 NPI	
						57 OTHER	
						PRV ID	

- Box 76 - Attending provider NPI (individual NPI)
- Box 77 - Operating provider NPI (individual NPI)
- Box 78 - Other provider NPI (individual NPI)
- Box 79 - Other provider NPI (individual NPI)

76 ATTENDING	NPI (QUAL	
LAST		FIRST	
77 OPERATING	NPI	QUAL	
LAST		FIRST	
78 OTHER	NPI	QUAL	
LAST		FIRST	
79 OTHER	NPI	QUAL	
LAST		FIRST	