

The HIPAA NCPDP Version D.0 Compliance Date Is Fast Approaching!

The mandatory compliance date for National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) version D.0 for retail pharmacies is January 1, 2012. HIPAA Version D.0 is the new NCPDP standard for Interactive Pharmacy Claims, and will replace Version 5.1. According to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) guidelines, NCPDP 5.1 transactions submitted on and/or after January 1, 2012 will reject. Be mindful that since non-D.0 claims are not in a HIPAA compliant format, such claims will not be processed and/or paid.

Mississippi Medicaid's claims processor ACS began NCPDP D.0 testing with pilot test pharmacies in June 2011, and implemented a pilot program of dual processing with both 5.1 and D.0 production claims August 2011. Dual processing was opened up for all pharmacies November 2011.

Pharmacy providers are not required to test and do not require certification. If a provider wishes to test, please contact your switch vendor, or Mississippi Medicaid's claims processor, ACS, at 800-884-3222.

Payer Sheets for NCPDP version D.0 are available on the Mississippi Division of Medicaid website <http://www.medicaid.ms.gov/Pharmacy.asp>.