

## **Pharmacy Update**

Pharmacy Help Desk Phone Numbers 405-522-6205 option 4 or 800-522-0114 option 4 Service Hours: Monday – Friday (8:30a – 7:00p); Saturday (9:00a – 5:00p); Sunday (11:00a – 5:00p) Email: pharmacy@okhca.org OHCA Website: www.okhca.org

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## **Provider NPI Data Available Soon**

CMS is scheduled to begin releasing provider NPI data on Sept. 4, 2007. The data will be available in two forms:

- 1. A web-based query-only database, known as the NPI Registry
- 2. A downloadable file

The NPI Registry will become operational on Sept. 4, and the downloadable file will be ready approximately one week later.

Note: SoonerCare pharmacy claims will begin processing with NPI as the pharmacy and prescriber identifiers on May 23, 2008. Please continue to submit pharmacy claims with the 10-character OHCA pharmacy provider number and 7-digit OHCA prescriber number through May 22, 2008. In order to ensure a smooth transition, we encourage pharmacies to begin integrating prescriber NPI data with existing prescriber records as soon as possible.

## SoonerCare Pharmacy Teleconference This Week

OHCA will host a Pharmacy Teleconference on Thursday, August 30 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

To Participate, Dial:

OKC Metro: (405) 271-2465

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Toll Free: (877) 687-6667

Enter Meeting ID: 3262 & follow the voice prompts.



## The discussion will include

- NPI Data Availability
- Tamper-Resistant Prescription Pads
- Billing Questions
- Open Forum Q & A

We appreciate the services you provide to Oklahomans insured by SoonerCare.