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Dear Provider,

Effective January 2, 2007 the Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans affiliated with Health Care Service Corporation, including Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois (BCBSIL), will be able to accept the revised version of the CMS-1500 Health Insurance Claim Form (version 08/05) which accommodates the reporting of the National Provider Identifier number. BCBSIL's adoption of the revised CMS-1500 (08/05) is as follows:

- **January 2, 2007** – BCBSIL will accept *both* the revised CMS-1500 (08/05) *and* the current CMS-1500 (12/90).
- **April 1, 2007** – BCBSIL will *only* accept the revised CMS-1500 (08/05). The current CMS-1500 (12/90) will be rejected.

As an example, on the new paper claim form your NPI number must be placed in field 33a, and your BCBSIL provider number must be placed in field 33b as shown below:

26. FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER SSN OR <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	28. PRESENT ACCOUNT NO.	27. ACCEPT ASSIGNMENT? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	29. TOTAL CHARGE \$	30. AMOUNT PAID \$	31. BALANCE DUE \$
31. SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER INCLUDING DEGREE OR CREDENTIALS (Verify that the statements on the reverse apply to this bill and are made a part thereof.)	32. SERVICE FACILITY LOCATION INFORMATION		33. BILLING (POWERBILLED & PAF#)		
33a. NPI	33b. BCBS ID				

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If you do not have your NPI number and wish to use the new claim form, please ensure your BCBSIL provider number is placed in field 33b preceded by the "1B" qualifier. BCBSIL has provided further information about NPI and the revised CMS-1500 (08/05) form, on the BCBSIL Web site at http://www.bcbsil.com/NPI_main.html.

For additional information on the revised claim form, please visit the National Uniform Claim Committee (NUCC) Web site at www.nucc.org. For additional information on how BCBSIL is implementing NPI, visit the Provider Library on our Web site at www.bcbsil.com

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois