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**TO:** Physicians, Independent Clinics, and Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) – **For Action**

**SUBJECT:** Introducing NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid (FamilyCare) coverage of Physician Assistants (PAs) as rendering providers.

**EFFECTIVE:** Effective for claims with service dates on or after June 1, 2024

**PURPOSE:** To notify clinics and physician practices that the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS) requires Physician Assistants (PAs) to be listed as rendering providers on professional claims with PA-rendered services.

**BACKGROUND:** In New Jersey, PAs practice under the supervision of a licensed physician. Prior to June 1, 2024, PAs were not able to enroll as NJ FamilyCare providers, and claims for services provided by PAs listed the physician, physician group or employing clinic as both the rendering and billing provider. As a result, members searching for services provided by a PA could not search for PAs in the "Provider Directory" found at [www.NJMMIS.com](http://www.NJMMIS.com).

**ACTIONS:** **Effective June 1, 2024**, PAs may enroll as a rendering provider in the NJ FamilyCare program. Physicians, physician group practices and clinics may list the PA as the rendering provider on any claim where the PA rendered the service. The physician, physician group or clinic must continue to be listed as the billing provider.

As a result of enrollment within NJ FamilyCare, PAs will be listed in the online NJ FamilyCare "Provider Directory" found at [www.NJMMIS.com](http://www.NJMMIS.com). The PA is now listed as a member of the employing physician practice and the specialty of their supervising physician or practice group is listed. NJ FamilyCare MCOs are also contractually required to identify PAs in their online provider directories effective January 1, 2025.

For newly-enrolling physician groups who employ a PA, PAs may be included in Question No. 20, titled "Practitioner to be added to the Group" found in the "Group Practice Application". PAs may be enrolled as rendering providers, issued 7-digit Medicaid IDs, and linked to the group practices per the application. The National Provider Identifier (NPI) for the PA may be reported as the rendering provider on a professional claim.

Existing physician practices, groups and clinics that wish to add a PA as a rendering provider may select "Add Application" in the application menu and enroll the PA as a rendering provider. They will be issued a 7-digit Medicaid ID and linked to the group practice

per the application. The NPI for the PA should be reported as the rendering provider on a professional claim.

The “Physician Group Application” and the “Add Application” may both be found on the [www.NJMMIS.com](http://www.NJMMIS.com) website under “Provider Enrollment Applications”.

**Important Note: When completing the application, the physician group/clinic must report the provider specialties related to the healthcare services provided by the group or clinic. Each specialty requested for the PA must match one of the specialties provided.**

If you have any questions regarding enrollment of Physician Assistants to a group practice or how to bill for their services, please contact the Gainwell Technologies Provider Enrollment Unit at 609-588-6036.

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