



State of New Jersey  
 Department of Human Services  
 Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services

# MEDICAID ALERT

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**TO:** Medical Suppliers

**SUBJECT:** Medicaid Payment for Rendered Services

**EFFECTIVE:** Immediately

**BACKGROUND:** In accordance with the New Jersey Administrative Code 10:49-9.5, a claim is defined as a request for payment from the New Jersey Medicaid program for a Medicaid reimbursable service provided to a Medicaid recipient. In addition, all program providers, except institutional, pharmaceutical and transportation providers, shall be required to certify that the services billed on any claim were rendered by or under his or her supervision.

**ACTION:** Medical suppliers are required to request payment for medical supply services after these services have been rendered and the medical supply item has been delivered to the recipient. In those situations in which a supplier must order durable medical equipment to render a Medicaid service, the claim for these services may only be submitted to Medicaid after the service has been rendered and the equipment has been delivered to the recipient. This is a clarification of existing law and policy, and not a new policy.

**NOTE:** Payments for medical supply services received prior to services being rendered and/or prior to delivery to the recipient shall be subject to recapture by the New Jersey Medicaid program.

If you have any questions regarding this Medicaid Alert, please contact Edward J. Vaccaro, R.Ph., Chief, Pharmaceutical Services, at (609) 588-2724.

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