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NEWS FOR PROFESSIONAL PROVIDERS ONLY (HIPAA 837P Claim Submitters)

ATTENTION MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PHYSICIANS AND SPECIALISTS WHO EMPLOY CRNPs & PAs:

THESE PROVIDER TYPES MUST BE ENUMERATED AND LISTED ON THE HIGHMARK PROVIDER FILE

Highmark, in compliance with CMS guidelines, requires all certified registered nurse practitioners (CRNPs) and physician assistants (PAs) to be enumerated and listed on the Provider File under the Assignment Account for the group in which they practice. In order for CRNPs and PAs to be enumerated Highmark must have the Medicare "Welcome" letter on file. When the CRNP or PA delivers care to Medicare Advantage patients, the CRNP and PA's NPI number must be reported as the performing provider on the claim submitted for the visit. The NPI should be placed in the **Performing Provider** field of the electronic or paper claim submitted to Highmark. Professional providers can refer to the *Highmark Blue Shield Office Manual*, Chapter 5 Unit 2 on the Provider Resource Center for additional information regarding this requirement and correct completion of the claim form.

Once the provider is enumerated, the ***Provider File Management*** transaction on NaviNet® will allow providers to view and update their Highmark provider file. Click the ***Change Group*** button to return to the Billing Provider to select a different vendor. The ***Add/Edit*** selection allows providers to make updates to the information identified on the button. If you have questions, please contact your Provider Relations Representative.

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