

National Provider Identifier

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Current Status

- System in development – Beta testing has begun
- Constant discussions with WEDI re requirements
- Fox Systems, Inc. has been awarded Enumerator contract
- Application form was approved by OMB on 2/24/05—CMS-10114

Timeline

- Final Rule published 1/23/2004
- 16-month delay in effective date (5/23/05)
- System to be ready for phase-in of web and paper applications 5/23/2005
- Web/paper live, EFI pilot by 7/2005 (will allow mass enumeration by organizations of providers)
- Must be used by providers and plans 5/23/2007(8)

Other Issues

- SSN not mandatory for paper application
- Data dissemination first objective to protect provider
- Medicare implementation issues
- Check for up to date information on:
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hipaa/hipaa2/regulations/identifiers/default.asp>
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