~~Pharmacies must use the following procedures for indicating the prescriber on prescription claims to assist pharmacists in submitting accurate claims information to DOM:~~

1. ~~If the prescriber's name and provider number are listed on the Prescribing Providers List (Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Tennessee), this provider number should be filed on the pharmacy claim submitted for payment by Medicaid.~~

2. ~~If the prescriber's name and provider number are not listed on the Prescribing Providers List, the prescriber's office should be contacted by the pharmacy to acquire the provider number. If the issuer of the prescription does not participate in Medicaid as a provider of services, the prescriber's DEA number should be used.~~

3. ~~If the prescriber is a member of a clinic from which the prescription was issued, but the individual physician/nurse practitioner does not have his or her own prescriber number, determine if the clinic's provider number is contained in the listing. If so, use the clinic's provider number.~~

4. ~~If the prescription is issued at a hospital or ER for outpatient dispensing and that location has a provider number in the Prescribing Providers List, utilize this number or the prescriber's individual provider number.~~

~~The pharmacy is responsible for maintaining accurate and current prescriber identification capability accessible to pharmacy employees.~~

~~In order to receive a current Prescribing Providers List you may contact the fiscal agent. The list is also available at http://www.dom.state.ms.us/Pharmacy Services.~~

~~Accurate prescriber identification of the prescription issuer is required; non-compliance may result in termination of POS privileges.~~

As required by federal regulation, effective January 1, 2008, pharmacies must use the National Provider Identification (NPI) to identify the prescriber on prescription claims. The DOM encourages the use of the following processes to satisfy this requirement when submitting claims information.

1. If the prescriber is a member of the clinic from which the prescription was issued, but the individual physician/nurse practitioner does not have his or her own NPI, the provider may use the clinic's NPI if one is available.

2. If the prescription is issued at a hospital or ER for outpatient dispensing and that location has an NPI, the provider may utilize the facility's NPI or the prescriber's individual NPI.

The pharmacy is responsible for maintaining accurate and current prescriber identification information and access must be made available to all pharmacy employees. Accurate prescriber identification of the prescription issuer **is** required; non-compliance may result in termination of POS privileges and/or recovery of false claims.

A current Prescribing Provider's List is available by accessing the DOM website at www.dom.state.ms.us and clicking on "Pharmacy Services" in the left window or by contacting the fiscal agent.

The Division of Medicaid does not require prescribers to be Mississippi Medicaid providers in order to write a prescription for a Mississippi Medicaid beneficiary.