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Dear Provider:

The American Dental Association (ADA) has released the 2006 dental claim form. As of January 1, 2007, OHCA will only reimburse for claims submitted on the 2006 ADA Dental Claim. The new form has been updated to include the required National Provider Identifiers. It will be the **only** acceptable form to use for paper claim submissions or when seeking preauthorization in the SoonerCare Dental Program. The new forms may be ordered at the following website: **[www.ada.org/prof/resources/topics/claimform.asp](http://www.ada.org/prof/resources/topics/claimform.asp)**

We also encourage you to visit the website below for information related to the requirements for a National Provider Identifier (NPI): **[www.ada.org/prof/resources/topics/npi.asp](http://www.ada.org/prof/resources/topics/npi.asp)**

A partial quote from the ADA site **[www.ada.org/prof/resources/index.asp](http://www.ada.org/prof/resources/index.asp)** follows:

“The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Security Rule, which went into effect April 20, 2005 applies to dental practices that submit or receive electronic transactions for which the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has established a standard, either directly or through a vendor or clearinghouse....

In addition, dentists who use electronic transactions will be required by law to use National Provider Identifiers starting May 23, 2007. Even dentists who use no electronic transactions may want to consider obtaining an NPI. The application process is free of cost and available to all dentists.”

Thank you for your continued service and support to the SoonerCare members of Oklahoma.

Sincerely,

Mike Fogarty