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Department of Health Care Finance  
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Re: District of Columbia's Medicaid timely claims filing

Dear Dr. Elam:

We are pleased to inform you of the approval of the District of Columbia's (DC) Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 12-07, which codifies a one year timely filing requirement for all providers enrolled in the District's Medicaid Program. This requirement will increase the timely filing period to one year (365 days), clarify the beginning of the timely filing period when a claim is filed for a service when the beneficiary's eligibility was determined retroactively, clarify the policy when an initial claim is submitted within the timely filing period, and afford providers the opportunity to appeal a timely claims filing requirement.

The effective date of this SPA is October 1, 2012. Enclosed is a copy of the approved SPA page and a signed CMS-179 form. If you have any questions please contact Alice Robinson Penn of my staff at (215) 861-4261.

Sincerely,

  
Francis McCullough  
Associate Regional Administrator

cc: Claudia Schlosberg - DHCF  
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