

**National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) Data Elements
Data Dissemination**

Information for Providers

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The NPPES data elements listed below may be disclosed to the public by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). These data elements are listed in the NPPES Data Dissemination Notice (CMS-6060-N). CMS has not yet announced the date when these data will be publicly disclosed in a downloadable file and in the query-only database, the National Provider Identifier (NPI) Registry.

Providers who have obtained National Provider Identifiers (NPIs) are encouraged to view their NPPES records to ensure that the information they furnished when applying for their NPIs is up to date and accurate. As CMS prepares to disseminate certain NPPES provider data in accordance with the NPPES Data Dissemination Notice, we ask that providers pay particular attention to the data elements that CMS will soon be publicly disclosing. The list below is the data that CMS will be disclosing, if the data exist in a provider's NPPES record. Providers who furnished these data elements may update or change them in NPPES at any time. (System-generated data may not be changed by providers.) Some providers furnished "optional" data; that is, data that were not required to be furnished in order to apply for an NPI. Data furnished on an optional basis may be updated, changed, or deleted by the providers.

In the list below:

- The data elements shown in *Italics font* are system-generated and may not be updated, changed, or deleted by providers.
- The data elements that are not in *Italics font* and are not shaded may be updated or changed by providers.
- The data elements that are shaded in gray are those that are "optional" and may be updated, changed, or deleted by providers. (Please note that a primary Taxonomy must be reported.)

Providers who need assistance in viewing their NPPES data or in learning how to make their updates, changes, or deletions may call the NPI Enumerator at 1-800-465-3203.

Please read the Notes that follow the list.

For Health Care Providers Who Are Individuals	For Health Care Providers Who Are Organizations
<i>NPI (This is the provider's NPI. If the provider has had an NPI replaced, this will be the same NPI as the Replacement NPI.)</i>	<i>NPI (This is the provider's NPI. If the provider has had an NPI replaced, this will be the same NPI as the Replacement NPI.)</i>

For Health Care Providers Who Are Individuals	For Health Care Providers Who Are Organizations
Entity Type Code 1=Individual	Entity Type Code 2=Organization
Replacement NPI (This is the provider's NPI if the provider has been assigned a Replacement NPI. If the provider has never been assigned a Replacement NPI, this data element will be blank.)	Replacement NPI (This is the provider's NPI if the provider has been assigned a Replacement NPI. If the provider has never been assigned a Replacement NPI, this data element will be blank.)
–	Employer Identification Number (EIN)
Provider Last Name (Legal Name)	Provider Organization Name (Legal Business Name)
Provider First Name	–
Provider Middle Name	–
Provider Other Last Name	Provider Other Organization Name
Provider Other Last Name Type Code 1=Former Name 2=Professional name 5=Other	Provider Other Organization Name Type Code 3=Doing Business As Name 4=Former Legal Business Name 5=Other
Provider Other First Name	–
Provider Other Middle Name	–
Provider Name Prefix Text	–
Provider Name Suffix Text	–
Provider Credential Text	–
Provider First Line Business Mailing Address	Provider First Line Business Mailing Address
Provider Second Line Business Mailing Address	Provider Second Line Business Mailing Address
Provider Business Mailing Address City Name	Provider Business Mailing Address City Name
Provider Business Mailing Address State Name	Provider Business Mailing Address State Name
Provider Business Mailing Address Postal Code	Provider Business Mailing Address Postal Code
Provider Business Mailing Address Country Code (If outside U.S.)	Provider Business Mailing Address Country Code (If outside U.S.)
Provider Business Mailing Address Telephone Number	Provider Business Mailing Address Telephone Number
Provider Business Mailing Address Fax Number	Provider Business Mailing Address Fax Number
Provider First Line Business Location Address	Provider First Line Business Location Address
Provider Second Line Business Location Address	Provider Second Line Business Location Address
Provider Business Location Address City Name	Provider Business Location Address City Name
Provider Business Location Address State Name	Provider Business Location Address State Name
Provider Business Location Address Postal Code	Provider Business Location Address Postal Code
Provider Business Location Address Country Code (If outside U.S.)	Provider Business Location Address Country Code (If outside U.S.)
Provider Business Location Address Telephone Number	Provider Business Location Address Telephone Number
Provider Business Location Address Fax Number	Provider Business Location Address Fax Number
Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Code (Primary Taxonomy is required; up to 14 additional Taxonomies may, as an option, be reported.)	Healthcare Provider Taxonomy Code (Primary Taxonomy is required; up to 14 additional Taxonomies may, as an option, be reported.)

For Health Care Providers Who Are Individuals	For Health Care Providers Who Are Organizations
Other Provider Identifier (Up to 20 Other Provider Identifiers may, as an option, be reported.)	Other Provider Identifier (Up to 20 Other Provider Identifiers may, as an option, be reported.)
Other Provider Identifier Type Code (The Other Provider Identifier Type Code is associated with an Other Provider Identifier. Because up to 20 Other Provider Identifiers may, as an option, be reported, up to 20 Other Provider Identifier Type Codes may be reported as well.)	Other Provider Identifier Type Code (The Other Provider Identifier Type Code is associated with an Other Provider Identifier. Because up to 20 Other Provider Identifiers may, as an option, be reported, up to 20 Other Provider Identifier Type Codes may be reported as well.)
<i>Provider Enumeration Date</i>	<i>Provider Enumeration Date</i>
<i>Last Update Date</i>	<i>Last Update Date</i>
<i>NPI Deactivation Reason Code</i>	<i>NPI Deactivation Reason Code</i>
<i>NPI Deactivation Date</i>	<i>NPI Deactivation Date</i>
<i>NPI Reactivation Date</i>	<i>NPI Reactivation Date</i>
Provider Gender Code	–
Provider License Number	–
Provider License Number State Code	–
–	Authorized Official Last Name
–	Authorized Official First Name
–	Authorized Official Middle Name
–	Authorized Official Title or Position
–	Authorized Official Telephone Number

Notes:

1. “Other Provider Identifier” and “Other Identifier Type Code” are where providers may, as an option, report their legacy identifiers and the type of legacy identifier. Legacy identifiers are generally those identifiers that have been assigned to providers by health plans. Providers may report some, none, or all of their “Other Provider Identifiers.” The reporting of “Other Provider Identifier”/“Other Provider Identifier Type Code” is optional. Some providers do not have any legacy identifiers to report because none have been assigned to them. The reporting of “Other Provider Identifier”/“Other Provider Identifier Type Code” will assist health plans in successfully creating linkages between providers’ NPIs and the identifiers that the health plans have assigned to them. Providers are not to report Social Security Numbers (SSNs) or IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs) in the “Other Provider Identifier”/“Other Provider Identifier Type Code” section (or in any other data element in the list). Providers should keep in mind that any provider identifier that is reported in the “Other Provider Identifier”/“Other Provider Identifier Type Code” section is to be one that was assigned to the provider that is applying for the NPI, not an identifier that was assigned to any other provider.
2. Some of the data elements are listed as “codes.” NPPES captures certain information and stores it as codes. The providers are not expected or required to enter codes when they report the data to NPPES. For example, when applying for an NPI, the provider will check or click on the box that captures Gender (Male or Female). NPPES stores that selection as a code. The downloadable file will contain the codes but will have within it a

- list of the codes and their descriptions. The NPI Registry (the query-only database) will display the descriptions, not the codes.
3. “Entity Type Code” is selected by providers when they apply for their NPIs. Once a provider has been assigned an NPI, the provider cannot change the “Entity Type Code” associated with that NPPES record. If a provider applied for an NPI using the incorrect “Entity Type Code,” that provider must deactivate that NPI and re-apply for an NPI using the correct “Entity Type Code.”
 - 4 . Providers are encouraged to use the web-based process to make their updates, changes, and deletions (where permitted): <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov>. This is the fastest and most efficient method. Or, providers may submit updates, changes, and deletions (where permitted) on the CMS-10114, NPI Application/Update Form. Providers may call the Enumerator for a copy or may download a copy from the CMS forms page: <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/cmsforms/>. A provider whose NPI application information was submitted by an Electronic File Interchange Organization (EFIO) may be able to have the EFIO submit the updates, changes, and deletions (where permitted); the provider would have to contact its EFIO concerning this. Updates, changes, and deletions (where permitted) may not be made by telephone, fax, or e-mail.