

Nurse Practitioner FAQ's

What is Medicare Service Provider Registration Number?

The Department of Health (NB Medicare) requires all nurse practitioners to submit claims regarding services provided to eligible Medicare clients. The shadow claims submitted to NB Medicare by NPs are used to maintain a history of the patients seen by nurse practitioners and for administrative purposes (trending, research, etc.).

A newly employed NP must complete and submit an “Application for Nurse Registration” to Medicare. The Medicare Service Provider Registrar will issue a letter of confirmation, along with a 5-digit Medicare Service Provider Registration number for the purpose of submitting Shadow Claims. This process generally takes 3 -5 weeks.

NB Medicare trains NPs on the submission of shadow claims. Once an NP has received confirmation of registration from the Service Provider Registrar and has received a Medicare Service Provider Registration number, he/she should contact a Medicare Practitioner Liaison Officer at (506) 457-6441 or (506) 444 -5876 to arrange training.

Nurse Practitioners can delegate authorization to submit shadow claims to Medicare on their behalf to one or more individuals. If this is the case, a “Nurse Practitioner Authorization” form must be completed and returned to NB Medicare. The form will be included in the letter of confirmation from the Medicare Service Provider Registrar.