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#### **Healthcare Association**

### Medavie Blue Cross Introduces New ID Card

As of September 17, 2012, Medavie Blue Cross will begin introducing a new two-sided plastic identification card, similar to those used for banking. The new card design will be provided to new Medavie Blue Cross members as well as to any existing member requiring a change in their current ID card information such as name or dependent status.

Medavie Blue Cross is taking a staggered approach to introducing this new ID Card and will not be replacing thosecurrently in use by our members.

Many Medavie Blue Cross members will continue to use a four sided blue laminated card. In Quebec, a two-sided yellow plastic card also exists.

Changes you may notice for those customers using the new two-sided plastic cards are as follows:

- Each member will have a unique 11-digit identification number listed on the reverse side that must be entered in full on the claim form or in electronic format.
- The Policy Number is 10 digits and must be entered in full for all claim transactions with the exception of dental claims, where the two leading zeros are eliminated.
- The Member birth date will no longer appear on the card, therefore the provider must ask their patient for this information.

The new card is attached for reference. Please note that Federal Program members (RCMP, Veterans Affairs, Canadian Forces and Citizenship and Immigration Canada) do not carry Medavie Blue Cross cards.

Providers may call the Customer Service Centre toll-free if they have further questions:

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1-800-667-4511 (in Atlantic)
1-800-355-9133 (in Ontario)
1-888-588-1212 (in Quebec)
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Providers in other provinces please contact your local Blue Cross.

Sincerely,

Joan Weir

Manager, Provider Relations



## **Identification Number**

12345678901 John Smith 12345678902 Lisa Smith 12345678903 Monica Smith 12345678904 Mark Smith 12345678905 Simon Smith 12345678906 Nicole Smith 12345678907 Jack Smith

Claiming benefits implies consent to Blue Cross Privacy Protection Practices.

## **Customer Service**

1-800-667-4511

**Worldwide Travel Assistance** 

Canada and U.S.A. 1-800-563-4444

Elsewhere in the world 1-506-854-2222 (Call collect)

www.medavie.bluecross.ca



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Identification Number 12345678900

Mary Smith

**Policy Number** 

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Omit the leading two zeros when submitting electronic dental claims.