

Phase 3 of our NPI Transition Plan—the NPI Only phase—begins March 31, 2008.

Beginning March 31, 2008, all claims submitted to BCBSTX must include *only* your NPI(s). If you're already approved to submit NPI-only claims—*go for it!* That way you will be able to work through any issues before the NPI Only phase begins.*

- **Paper claims submitters**—you should now be submitting NPI-only claims, as long as you have shared your NPI with BCBSTX.
- **Providers who submit claims electronically**—you should contact your vendor as soon as you receive a “Congratulations” postcard from us to ensure that your vendor is submitting NPI-only claims on your behalf.

If you have questions, please e-mail us at npi@bcbstx.com. Additionally, if you are a contracted provider, you may contact your Network Provider Representative directly for assistance.

*NOTE: Claims that include the BCBSTX provider number will be rejected beginning March 31, 2008, as NPI-only claims are required at this stage. This means that agreements with contracted providers who have not shared their NPI(s) with BCBSTX will necessarily be terminated, effective April 1, 2008.