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Message:

This week, OMAP will send the following postcard to OHP health care providers who order imaging services for clients. It answers provider questions about the new Imaging Prior Notification (IPN) process that begins October 1, 2005.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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Clarification About Imaging Prior Notification (IPN)

As a result of provider comments, OMAP has revised the Prior Notification rule to show that the *ordering provider* must complete the IPN fax form. Here are responses to other questions we've received about IPN:

- 1) Imaging services provided during emergency room visits or inpatient stays **do not** require prior notification.
- 2) If the client has other medical insurance, including Medicare coverage, prior notification is still required.

Questions?

- More information on IPN is on the OMAP Web site at www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/healthplan/guides/medsurg/main.html
- If you have questions about this information, call OMAP Provider Services at (1-800) 336-6016.

