

## NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER

A National Provider Identifier or NPI is a unique 10-digit identification number issued to health care providers in the United States by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). All residents/fellows are required to apply for and receive a NPI number at the time of training.

You must have a NPI before starting training at UConn with the appropriate taxonomy and program address. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in you not being able to begin training, employment and benefits.

### Note:

- Do not put your home address on the registration form.** This information is provided online to the public. You should use your program office address. A list of our programs and addresses is attached. The Internal Medicine and Primary Care Internal Medicine programs would like you to use your clinic address which will be provided to you by your program coordinator as soon as it is available. You can always change this later.
- The “student” taxonomy is appropriate for students, residents and fellows (code 390200000X).**
- If you are currently in a residency/fellowship program or you are working in a clinical setting, you will not be able to change your information until your last clinical day. You will need to change this however before you can begin your training at UConn.**
- You should register as *“Type 1: An individual who renders health care services”*

**How to apply:** Below are some links that will help you register for an NPI number.

*Do you have an NPI number?*

- No I do not have a NPI number. *Do you have a social security number?*

- Yes I have a social security number.

You can complete your application online at:

<https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/Welcome.do>.

- No I do not have a social security number yet but will apply as soon as possible.

You must complete the paper application available at:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/CMS-Forms/CMS-Forms/downloads/CMS10114.pdf>.

- Yes I have a NPI number. *Do you have a Connecticut Medical License?*

- Yes I have a Connecticut Medical License.

You will have a different primary taxonomy reflecting your status as an independent practitioner and you must have a Connecticut address. You will need to add the student taxonomy as a secondary taxonomy. Please email Jill Goldsmith ([jgoldsmith@uchc.edu](mailto:jgoldsmith@uchc.edu)) to let her know you will have a different taxonomy and update your information at <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/StaticForward.do?forward=static.npistart>.

- No I do not have a Connecticut Medical License.

You must change the business address to the program's mailing address and the Taxonomy must be "39-Student Health Care", code 390200000X. Information can be changed online at:  
<https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/StaticForward.do?forward=static.npistart>.

If you get a Connecticut Medical License or you do not renew your Connecticut Medical license, the NPI taxonomy will need to be updated and the GME office notified.

If you need additional help at any time you can click the "? Help" link in the upper right corner or call their help line at 860-465-3203 or 1-800-465-3203.

Once you receive your NPI number and/or have made the necessary changes, please email your number and/or the updates processed to Jill Goldsmith ([jgoldsmith@uchc.edu](mailto:jgoldsmith@uchc.edu)).

Any questions, please contact the GME office at 860-679-2147.

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