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New York State Medicaid will soon require all billing providers to register for EFT and ERA or PDF remittances. This effort moves the New York State Medicaid program in the direction of health care industry standards of practice. In addition to the cost savings associated with eliminating the production, processing and mailing of paper, this initiative is better for the environment and in line with the GO GREEN movement. The Department of Health will begin phasing in this requirement beginning in September 2012; however, providers are urged to act now.

There are many advantages of EFT over paper checks and both the ERA and the PDF remit types have many advantages over a paper remit. Note: ERAs will require software to interpret but have advantages for systematic posting of payments.

EFT, ERA, and PDF remittance applications are available online through the [eMedNY Go Green page](#). Questions about any application or the process can be directed to the eMedNY Call Center at (800) 343-9000.

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