



Medicaid Pharmacy Prior Authorization Programs Update

Effective July 20, 2017, per the 2017-18 enacted budget, New York State Medicaid will implement clinical criteria to diabetic test strips subject to the Preferred Diabetic Supply Program (PDSP).

The goal of this initiative was to expand point of sale clinical editing across medical/supply claim types to ensure appropriate utilization. This will be achieved by using frequency, quantity, and duration limits, diagnosis and duplicate therapy editing.

The Medicaid FFS pharmacy program will implement the following parameters to diabetic test strips:

- **Diabetes Type I:** Maximum of 300 test strips dispensed as a 30-day supply
- **Diabetes Type II:** Maximum of 100 test strips as a 30-day supply

Note: Claims which meet the above clinical criteria will approve systematically and will not require prescriber involvement.

The most up-to-date information on the Medicaid FFS Pharmacy Prior Authorization (PA) Programs and a full listing of drugs/supplies subject to the Medicaid FFS Pharmacy Programs can be found at:

https://newyork.fhsc.com/downloads/providers/NYRx_PDP_PDL.pdf.

To obtain a PA, please contact the clinical call center at 1-877-309-9493. The clinical call center is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week with pharmacy technicians and pharmacists who will work with you, or your agent, to quickly obtain a PA.

Medicaid enrolled prescribers can also initiate PA requests using a web-based application. PAXpress® is a web based pharmacy PA request/response application accessible through a new button "PAXpress" located on eMedNY.org under the MEIPASS button.

Additional information, such as the Medicaid Standardized PA form and clinical criteria are available at the following websites: <http://www.health.ny.gov> or <http://newyork.fhsc.com> or <http://www.eMedNY.org>.

For more detailed information on the PDSP, please refer to:

<https://newyork.fhsc.com/providers/diabeticsupplies.asp>