



New York State Medicaid (NYRx) Coverage Policy and Billing Guidance for Pharmacist Ordering and Dispensing of Self-Administered Hormonal Contraception

Chapter 128 of the Laws of 2023, as amended by Chapter 90 of the Laws of 2024, amends New York State Education Law to allow pharmacists licensed and located in this State to dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptives pursuant to a non-patient specific order written by the Commissioner of Health, a physician licensed, or a nurse practitioner certified in this State.

Self-administered hormonal contraceptives means self-administered contraceptive medications or devices approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration to prevent pregnancy by using hormones to regulate or prevent ovulation, and includes oral hormonal contraceptives, hormonal contraceptive vaginal rings and hormonal contraceptive patches. When used correctly, they are 99% effective at preventing pregnancy.

This Commissioner of Health is authorized by Public Health Law § 267-a to establish a non-patient specific order for pharmacists' dispensing of self-administered hormonal contraception.

As described in the standing order, sufficient clinical information should be documented in the patient's profile when **Self-Administered Hormonal Contraceptives are ordered** by a state-licensed pharmacist. **Pharmacists ordering Self-Administered Hormonal Contraceptives must retain documentation that includes:**

- member consent,
- date, time, and duration of the encounter,
- if the member is a new or existing patient,
- member completed self-screening risk assessment questionnaire,
- the result of the clinical decision,
- if applicable, date and time communication sent to individual's primary care provider.

NYRx Pharmacy Billing:

- To bill for the self-administered hormonal contraception, the pharmacy must submit a valid National Drug Code (NDC). Pharmacies must bill the actual acquisition cost of the commercial product and will be reimbursed for the drug and a \$10.18 dispensing fee.

- To bill for the evaluation and management associated with the ordering of self-administered hormonal contraception, pharmacies will submit using the National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) D.0 claim format and enter one of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes identified below.

Billing Instructions for Self-administered Hormonal Contraception:

NCPDP D.0. Claim Segment Field	Value
436-E1 (Product/Service ID Qualifier)	Enter a value of "03" (NDC)
444-E9 (Pharmacist ID)	Enter Pharmacist National Provider Identifier (NPI) number
411-DB (Prescriber ID)	Enter Prescriber NPI number

Billing Instructions for Evaluation and Management related to Pharmacist Ordering of Contraception:

A state-licensed pharmacist ordering **Self-Administered Hormonal Contraceptives** may enter one of the following HCPCS codes when performing evaluation and management of an enrollee:

HCPCS Code	Value	Fee
99605*	Medication therapy management service(s) provided by a pharmacist, individual, face-to-face with patient, with assessment and intervention if provided; 15 minutes, new patient .	\$48.20
99606**	Medication therapy management service(s) provided by a pharmacist, individual, face-to-face with patient, with assessment and intervention if provided; 15 minutes, established patient .	\$15.29

**If the pharmacist cannot order and must refer the enrollee to a practitioner, the HCPCS code "99605" may be submitted as a result of the referral.*

***A patient would be considered established if they have a consistent prescription history for the past 12 months.*

The above HCPCS codes may be submitted in the NCPDP D.0 format, as outlined below.

NCPDP D.0 Claim Segment Field	Value
436-E1 (Product/Service ID Qualifier)	Enter the applicable value, which qualifies the code submitted in field 407-D7 (Product/Service ID) as a procedure code
407-D7 (Product/Service ID)	Enter the value of "99605" if prescribing for a new patient
	Enter the value of "99606" if prescribing for an established patient
444-E9 (Pharmacist ID)	Enter Pharmacist National Provider Identifier (NPI) number
411-DB (Prescriber ID)	Enter the Pharmacy's NPI number

Please see the [NYS Medicaid Pharmacy Manual Policy Guidelines](#) document for further guidance on origin code and serial number values that must be submitted on the claim.

Providers may only submit claims for payment for services actually furnished and which were medically necessary (18 NYCRR 504.3(e)). All claims are subject to audit and recovery.

Questions and Additional Information

- [Reproductive Health \(ny.gov\)](#) for Commissioner’s Standing Order, forms, fact sheets and program information
- [Pharmacists | Office of the Professions \(nysed.gov\)](#)
- NYRx billing questions should be directed to the eMedNY Call Center at 800-343-9000.
- NYRx Pharmacy coverage and policy questions should be directed to the Medicaid Pharmacy Policy Unit by telephone at (518) 486-3209 or by email at NYRx@health.ny.gov.