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Important Notice to Pharmacy Providers Regarding Prescriptions Written by Ordering/Prescribing/Referring/Attending (OPRA) Providers

Effective February 3, 2014 the Department will discontinue payment for all prescriptions for Medicaid fee-for-service members ordered by a provider not yet enrolled as an OPRA provider. If you have such a prescription you will receive a reject code of "56" via NCPDP transaction stating the provider has a non-matched Prescriber ID listed in NCPDP field number 511-FB.

On an emergency basis pharmacies are allowed to provide the medication and receive reimbursement by resubmitting the claim using the following emergency override procedure for claims with a Date of Service >= **2/3/14:**

- In the Reason for Service Code Field (439-E4) also known as the Drug Utilization Conflict Field – enter **"PN"** (Prescriber Consultation)
- In the Result of Service Code Field (441-E6) – enter one of the following applicable values (**1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, 1G, 1H, 1J, 1K, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H, 3J, 3K, 3M, 3N, or 4A**)
- In the Submission Clarification Code Field (420-DK) also known as the Drug Prescription Override Field – enter **"02"** (Other Override)

This over-ride will be available on a limited basis only from 2/3/2014 through 4/30/2014. *Beginning 5/1/2014 Department will end this emergency override option.*

Pharmacy providers*: When the override is used please notify the prescriber and Medicaid member that OPRA enrollment is required to ensure Medicaid reimbursement for future prescriptions.*

*The override must be used on all refills of prescriptions filled subsequent to 2/3/2014 by non-OPRA enrolled providers until that prescriber completes their enrollment **- or -** the override option ends.*

Contact the eMedNY Call Center at (800) 343-9000 for questions regarding:
- This billing requirement, or any billing issue,
- Provider Enrollment assistance and status checks.

For additional information see December 2013 Medicaid Update Special Edition:
http://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2013/dec13_muspec.pdf

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