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Pharmacy Billing Guidance Exceptions for Non-Enrolled Prescribers in Medicaid

The New York State (NYS) Medicaid program requires enrollment of all licensed prescribers who serve Medicaid and Medicaid Managed Care members, including **prescribing practitioners**, as identified on pharmacy prescriptions, per the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and federal regulations.

There are **two exceptions** to the provider enrollment requirementⁱ:

- 1. Unlicensed Interns, Residents and Foreign Physicians in Training Programs
- 2. Out-of-State (OOS) Licensed Prescribers that are treating Medicaid Members for a *single instance of emergency care within 180 days*. These prescribers need to be either enrolled Medicare with an "approved" status or are enrolled in their own state's Medicaid plan.

Pharmacies will receive a reject code/POS rejection message for prescriptions written by a nonenrolled prescriber. Please utilize the override guidance provided below for the above exceptions specific to NYRx, the Medicaid Pharmacy Program.

- For NYRx, the Medicaid Pharmacy Program, please utilize the override instructions provided:
 - Pharmacy claims will initially reject for National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) Reject code "889" - Prescriber Not Enrolled in State Medicaid Program.
 - To override above rejection for the unlicensed resident, intern or foreign physician in a training program or OOS prescription situations described above:
 - In Field 439-E4 (Reason for Service Code): enter "PN" (*Prescriber Consultation*)
 - In Field 441-E6 (Result of Service Code): enter applicable value ("1A", "1B", "1C", "1D", "1E", "1F", "1G", "1H", "1J", "1K", "2A", "2B", "3A", " 3B", "3C", "3D", "3E", "3F", "3G", "3H", "3J", "3K", "3M", "3N", "4A")
 - In Field 420-DK (Submission Clarification Code): enter "02" (Other Override)

ⁱMedicaid Provider Enrollment Compendium (MPEC): <u>https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/program-integrity/affordable-care-act-program-integrity-provisions/index.html</u>