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New York State Pharmacy Coverage for Coronavirus Vaccines for Members Eligible for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program

UPDATE: In accordance with the extension of the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act through December 31, 2029, or if otherwise communicated before that date, VFC and non-VFC enrolled pharmacies may continue to process claims for the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccine.

- **VFC enrolled pharmacies** may not bill Medicaid for the cost of vaccines that have been obtained via the VFC program.
- **Non-VFC enrolled pharmacies** will continue to bill the COVID-19 vaccine utilizing procedure codes for persons under 19 years of age with the actual acquisition cost of the vaccine to be paid appropriately.

Complete billing guidance for VFC and non-VFC providers are posted in the, *NYRx, Medicaid Pharmacy Program Pharmacists as Immunizers Fact Sheet*, found here: <u>https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/docs/phar_immun_fact.pdf</u>.

Additional Information and Questions:

- For COVID-19 information, providers should visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) "COVID-19 Vaccines & Immunizations" web page, located at: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/index.html</u>.
- NYS Medicaid FFS claim questions should be directed to the eMedNY Call Center at (800) 343-9000.
- NYRx Pharmacy Policy questions should be directed to (518) 486-3209 or <u>NYRx@health.ny.gov</u>.
- NYS Medicaid FFS coverage and policy questions should be directed to the Office of Health Insurance Programs (OHIP) Division of Program Development and Management (DPDM) by telephone at (518) 473-2160 or by email at <u>FFSMedicaidPolicy@health.ny.gov</u>.
- Medicaid Managed Care questions should be directed to the specific Managed Care Plan of the enrollee. Plan contact information can be found in the eMedNY New York State Medicaid Program Information for All Providers – Managed Care Information document, located

https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/AllProviders/PDFS/Information for All Provid ers Managed Care Information.pdf.