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Beginning November 19, 2026, New York Medicaid Fee-For-Service (FFS) will require prior authorization (PA) for certain practitioner administered drugs (PADs) administered in office, clinic, or outpatient settings. Check the PAD Quick Reference Guide for the list of drugs and drug classes.

Prescribers can use PAXpress to obtain PA for PADs. Use the same username and password as ePACES. For more details and instructions, check the PAXpress user manual and training video.

When requesting PA, prescribers must submit the National Drug Code (NDC) quantity, including any waste from single-use containers. The NDC quantity reflects the actual manufacturer-specific product amount (vial/each, milliliter, gram).

Note: If a practitioner administered drug is not available in PAXpress, then it may not require prior authorization or it may need to follow the "by report" manual review process.

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