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To: Third Party/Pharmacy

From: Pharmacy Network Management MedImpact Healthcare Systems

Subject: New York Department of Health Communication Reminder from SelectHealth from VNS Health – Provider Enrollment

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Pharmacy Billing Guidance Exceptions for Non-Enrolled Prescribers

In accordance with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and federal regulations, the New York State (NYS) Medicaid program requires enrollment of all licensed prescribers and pharmacies who serve Medicaid members, including prescribing practitioners identified on pharmacy claims.

However, under the Medicaid Provider Enrollment Compendium (MPEC) (found at this link: [medicaid.gov/medicaid/program-integrity/affordable-care-act-program-integrity-provisions/index.html](https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/program-integrity/affordable-care-act-program-integrity-provisions/index.html)) two exceptions to the provider enrollment requirement are allowed and are listed below:

1. Interns, Residents, and Foreign Physicians in Training

Pharmacies will receive the following reject codes/POS rejection messaging for prescriptions written by interns, residents, and foreign physicians in training:

- NCPDP Error Code 889 – Prescriber Not Enrolled in State Medicaid Program
- Interns, Residents, and Physicians in Training participating in training programs are authorized to prescribe
 - NCPDP Submission Clarification Code (SCC02)
 - Other Override

2. Out-of-State (OOS) Licensed Prescribers who are treating Medicaid Members for a single instance of emergency care within 180 days. These prescribers need to be either enrolled in Medicare with an “approved” status or enrolled in their own state’s Medicaid plan.

Pharmacies will receive the following reject codes/POS rejection messaging for prescriptions written by OOS licensed prescribers:

- NCPDP Error Code 889 – Prescriber Not Enrolled in State Medicaid Program
- For 1-time Emergency Overrides for Prescriber or Pharmacy Not Enrolled in State Medicaid Program
 - NCPDP Submission Clarification Code (SCC13)
Emergency Override

Please Note:

- Pharmacists should document the enrollment status of the OOS licensed prescriber in Medicare or Medicaid in their own state and the circumstance in which the claim qualifies for a single instance of emergency medical care as noted above.
- Pharmacists should use their professional judgment when using the overrides according to the above policy, prescriber's information at hand, and member history available. Pharmacists should contact SelectHealth directly for claims that do not meet the exceptions outlined above.

Questions and Additional Information:

- SelectHealth will monitor claims to ensure the appropriate use of Submission Clarification Codes based on state requirements.
- Please contact MedImpact Healthcare Systems directly for pharmacy network-related questions at 1-888-678-7741.
- For questions regarding this policy – please contact SelectHealth at 1-866-469-7774 (TTY: 711), Monday – Friday, 8 am – 6 pm.