



NYS Medicaid FFS Program Pharmacists as Immunizers Fact Sheet (Update August 2018)

NYS Education Law (6527, 6801, 6802, 6909) and regulations (8 NYCRR 63.9) permits licensed pharmacists who obtain additional certification to administer the following vaccines: Pneumococcal, meningococcal, tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis vaccines when administered to patients 18 years of age or older; Influenza vaccines when administered to patients 2 years of age and older; and Zoster vaccines; pursuant to either a patient specific order or a non-patient specific order.

Administration of select vaccines by qualified pharmacists employed by, or under contract with, Medicaid enrolled pharmacies is reimbursable under NYS Medicaid.

The following conditions apply:

- Only Medicaid enrolled pharmacies that employ or contract with NYS certified pharmacists to administer vaccines will receive reimbursement for immunization services and products. Pharmacy interns cannot administer immunizations in New York State.
- Services must be provided and documented in accordance to NYS Department of Education laws and regulations. Visit <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/pharm/pharmimmunizations.htm> for additional information, including the reporting of all immunizations administered to persons less than 19 years of age to the State Department of Health using the NY State Immunization Information System (NYSIIS) or to the New York Citywide Immunization Registry.
- Pharmacies will only be able to bill for Medicaid fee-for-service non-dual enrollees. Dual eligible enrollees will continue to access immunization services through Medicare.
- Medicaid Managed Care members will continue to access immunization services through their health plans. For Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) billing guidance please contact the plan.
- Reimbursement for these vaccines will be based on a patient specific order or non-patient specific order. These orders must be kept on file at the pharmacy. The ordering prescriber's NPI is required on the claim for the claim to be paid.
- The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)-recommended vaccines for individuals **under the age of 19** are provided to Medicaid members (both FFS and MCO) free of charge by the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program.
 - Pharmacies **must** be enrolled in the VFC program and obtain vaccines available through the VFC program when administering **ANY** VFC-available vaccines to Medicaid members under 19 years of age.
 - Payment is available for the **administration fee of a VFC vaccine** with procedure code 90460 for administration to members less than 19 years of age.

- Pharmacists are requested to refer VFC-eligible members to VFC-enrolled providers if they are not able to obtain the vaccine through the VFC program. NYS Medicaid should **NEVER** be billed for the cost of any vaccine for persons under 19 years of age when it is available through the VFC program. This applies to both FFS and MCO members. **Pharmacies that bill Medicaid for the cost of vaccines available through VFC are subject to recovery of payment.**
- Consistent with Medicaid immunization policy, pharmacies will bill the administration fee and, when applicable, acquisition cost of the vaccine using the appropriate procedure codes. Procedure codes can be found here: <https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/Pharmacy/index.aspx> Please note that **NDCs are not to be used** for billing the vaccine product. Reimbursement for the cost of the vaccine for ages 19 and above will be made at no more than the *actual* acquisition cost to the pharmacy. No dispensing fee or enrollee co-payment applies. Pharmacies will bill with a quantity of “1” and a day supply of “1”.

Billing Instructions: Providers must submit via NCPDP D.0, in the Claim Segment field 436-E1 (Product/Service ID Qualifier), a value of "09" (HCPCS), which qualifies the code submitted in field 407-D7 (Product/Service ID) as a Procedure code. Lastly, in field 407-D7 (Product/Service ID), enter the Procedure code. Providers may submit up to 4 claim lines with one transaction. For example, providers may submit one claim line with the Procedure code 90656 (Influenza Virus Vaccine), and another claim line for Procedure code 90471 (Immunization Administration 19 years of age and older). For administration of multiple vaccines on the same date to patients ages 19 and older, code 90471 should be used for the first vaccine and 90472 for ANY other vaccines administered on that day. One line should be billed for 90472 indicating the additional number of vaccines administered (insert quantity of 1 or 2). Use 90460 for administration of first or subsequent doses to members less than 19 years of age.

Please check the following site for updates on procedure codes for vaccines, under ‘OTC and Supply Fee Schedule’: <https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/Pharmacy/index.aspx>

The following procedure codes should be billed for pharmacist administration of select influenza, pneumococcal and meningococcal vaccines for age 18 and over, and zoster for age 50 and over:

Procedure Code	Procedure Description
90620	Meningococcal recombinant protein and outer membrane vesicle vaccine, Serogroup B, 2 dose schedule, for intramuscular use
90621	Meningococcal recombinant lipoprotein vaccine, Serogroup B, 2 or 3 dose schedule, for intramuscular use
90653	Influenza virus vaccine (IIV), preservative free, for use in individuals 65 years of age and above, for intramuscular use
90656	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, preservative free, for use in individuals 3 years of age and above, for intramuscular use
90658	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, for use in individuals 3 years of age and above, for intramuscular use
90661	Influenza virus vaccine, derived from cell cultures, subunit, preservative and antibiotic free, for intramuscular use
90662	Influenza virus vaccine (IIV), split virus, preservative free, enhanced immunogenicity via increased antigen content, for intramuscular use
90670	Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine, 13-valent, for intramuscular use
90672	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, live, for intranasal use in individuals 2 years of age through 49
90673	Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent, derived from recombinant DNA, preservative free, for intramuscular use for 18 years of age and older
90674	Influenza virus vaccine; quadrivalent, derived from cell cultures, subunit, preservative and antibiotic free, for intramuscular use

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90682	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, (RIV4), derived from recombinant DNA, preservative and antibiotic free for intramuscular use
90686	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, split virus, preservative free, when administered to individuals 3 years of age and older, for intramuscular use
90688	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, split virus, when administered to individuals 3 years of age and older, with preservative, for intramuscular use
90714	Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids (Td) adsorbed, preservative free, for use in individuals seven years or older, for intramuscular use
90715	Tetanus, diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine (Tdap), for use in individuals 7 years or older, for intramuscular use
90732	Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine, 23-valent, adult or immunosuppressed patient dosage, for use in individuals 2 years of age or older, for subcutaneous or intramuscular use
90733	Meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine (any group(s)), for subcutaneous use, age 2 years of age and older
90734	Meningococcal conjugate vaccine, Serogroups A,C,Y and W-135 (trivalent), for intramuscular use, age 11 through 55
90736	Zoster (shingles) Vaccine, live, for subcutaneous injection, age 50 and older
90750	Zoster (shingles) Vaccine, age 50 and older for intramuscular use
90756	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, antibiotic free, for intramuscular use
90473	Immunization administration of seasonal influenza intranasal vaccine \$8.57
90471	Immunization administration (includes percutaneous, intradermal, subcutaneous, or intramuscular injections); 1 vaccine (single or combination vaccine/toxoid) \$13.23
90472	Immunization administration (includes percutaneous, intradermal, subcutaneous, or intramuscular injections); each additional vaccine (single or combination vaccine/toxoid) (list separately in addition to code for primary procedure) \$13.23
90460	Immunization administration of free vaccine through VFC Program for ages under 19 years \$17.85

Questions regarding Medicaid reimbursement of immunizations may be directed to the Medicaid Pharmacy Program at 518 486-3209 or PPNO@health.ny.gov

Additional information on influenza can be found at NYS Department of Health's website at <http://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/influenza/>

CDC vaccine and immunization information can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/>