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New York State Medicaid Billing Guidelines for Administering Mental Health or Substance Use Disorder Treatment Injections at the Pharmacy and Record Documentation and Retention

Effective April 1, 2024, in accordance with the amendments to §5801 and §5802 of Chapter 264 of the Laws of 2020, registered pharmacists, certified by the New York State (NYS) Education Department (ED) may administer injections of FDA-approved medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD) or for treatment of mental health or substance use disorder based on a patient specific prescription or order. For the initial injection, new proceed to the office of the practitioner.

Policy

1. The certified pharmacist must confirm the initial injection has been given by the practitioner or the NYS Medicaid member is a maintenance therapy.
2. The certified pharmacist must notify the legally responsible representative of the NYS Medicaid member must consent to the drug administration by a certified pharmacist.
3. The certified pharmacist provide a private area for the drug administration. Ideally, the area should have seating, constructed to maintain confidentiality, and an emergency response button or other communication device.
4. The certified pharmacist must notify the prescriber of the NYS Medicaid member of the drug administration, and if there were adverse reactions or other issues.
   - Notification must take place within five days via an interoperable electronic medical record system, a health information exchange, or pharmacy record, or other electronic transmission or facsimile. If electronic means are not available, the information may be communicated by telephone.

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New York State Medicaid Fee-for-Service Covers Adult Vaccinations Without Cost-Sharing

New York State (NYS) Medicaid covers vaccines and their administration, without cost-sharing obligations, for any outpatient clinic visit in which an approved adult vaccine is recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and administered in accordance with ACIP recommendations.

Billing Instructions For Fee-for-Service

The eMedNY system has been modified to automatically bypass all NYS Medicaid member cost-sharing requirements for any outpatient clinic visits in which an approved adult vaccine, recommended by the ACIP, was administered and no payment reduction will occur. Clinics no longer need to submit modifier "EP" to bypass member cost-sharing requirements. Providers should continue to submit modifier "EP" when billing for Medicaid managed care (MMC) or self-administered vaccines, depending on adjusted Ambulatory Patient Group (APG) or Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) Medicaid

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- Fee-for-service (FFS) billing and claim questions should be directed to the Customer Care Call Center at (800) 343-9000.
- NYS Medicaid managed care (MMC) plan members should contact their managed care plan. Managed Care Program Integrity (DHP) Division of Program Development and Management (DPDM) by telephone at (518) 473-2230 or by email at PCMdataquality@health.ny.gov

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Practitioner Administered Drug Update: Briseda™ Billing Guidelines

Effective April 1, 2024, for New York State (NYS) Medicaid fee-for-service (FFS), practitioners must submit a claim for Briseda™ with a unit of **"1"** and a dose of **"1000"** to receive payment. Briseda™ is a new, long-acting, tetracycline-class antibiotic that has categorized Brexit™ with abbreviated dosing by brand name (BBDB) status, and can be reimbursed by the Ambulatory Patient Classification Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) codes below:

- **J2836** – Injection, tetracycline, lymecycline extended-release (Briseda™), less than or equal to seven days of therapy.
- **J2837** – Injection, tetracycline, lymecycline extended-release (Briseda™), more than or equal to seven days of therapy.

Billing Units Clarification

Providers should refer to the examples provided below to assist in completing the electronic Provider Assisted Claim Entry System (ePACES) electronic form or the Medical Assistance Health Insurance Claim Form (eMedNY 1500S form). **Please note:** When completing sections pertaining to Briseda™ on the ePACES form, "Drug Name" must be submitted with a value of "1" as the HCPCS unit quantity and the volumetric quantity entered in cubic centimeters.

Electronic Claim Example for Briseda™ Weekly 10mg/66.6ml Syringe

New Claim > 837 Professional
Drug Identification
Drug Name
Drug Unit Quantity
Drug Unit Price
Prior Authorization Number
Drug Unit Of Measure
Drug Name Qualifier
Drug Unit Quantity
Drug Unit Price
Prior Authorization Number
Drug Unit Of Measure
Drug Name Qualifier
Drug Identification
Drug Name