



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

New Hampshire Medicaid Program

To: All NH Pharmacists
From: Division of Medicaid Services
Date: September 18, 2020
Subject: NH Medicaid will now enroll pharmacists as other licensed providers for COVID Testing

Background:

In accordance with Executive Order #47 issued by Governor Sununu on May 21, 2020, NH Medicaid will begin enrolling NH licensed pharmacists as “other licensed providers” for the purpose of initiating, ordering, administering, and analyzing COVID testing. Via the executive order, pharmacists are authorized to order testing and collect samples to be sent to an enrolled lab. With the appropriate licensing and provider enrollment, the affiliated pharmacy or medical practice will be able to bill for the testing and collection done by the pharmacists who are enrolled as “other licensed providers.”

Enrollment:

Pharmacists should select the Non-billing Rendering Provider application from the provider enrollment portal (<https://nhmmis.nh.gov/portals/wps/portal/ProviderEnrollment>). Pharmacists shall be affiliated to a NH Medicaid billing provider (such as a pharmacy or medical practice) for their services to be billable.

Authorized Services:

During the public health emergency, pharmacists are authorized to order testing and collect samples for COVID testing. The pharmacist’s services are to be billed by the affiliated pharmacy/medical practice on the CMS 1500 form using the appropriate procedure code(s) with a modifier of U1 for the services rendered by the NH Medicaid enrolled pharmacist. These services shall be reimbursed at the same rate as is paid to other practitioners rendering these same services.

When a COVID vaccine becomes available, pharmacists are authorized to order and administer the vaccine under HB 1639-FN of 2020 and the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act (PREP Act). The affiliated billing provider (pharmacy or medical practice) shall bill for the services provided by the pharmacist.

Call the NH Medicaid Provider Relations Unit at (603) 223-4774 or 1 (866) 291-1674 if you have questions.