

PHARMACY UPDATE

Guidance for Pharmacies on New Prospective Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Edit

Effective 5/21/2013, the Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) pharmacy program will be implementing a new prospective DUR edit (02120), "Prescriber Notification", to comply with recommendations of the DUR Board. This edit is designed to aid pharmacists when optimal therapy may not be reflected in the beneficiary's claim history. Pharmacists will have the right to exercise professional judgment with the ability to override the edit, when an informed decision on therapy has been reached.

System messaging has been developed to help guide the pharmacists to appropriately submit the claim or consult with the prescriber.

The Edit will be triggered when filling a prescription for a single entity long acting beta agonist (LABA)*, with no record of an inhaled corticosteroid (ICS) in the beneficiary's claim history.**

| LABA* | ICS** |
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| Foradil® | Asmanex® |
| Serevent Diskus® | Flovent HFA® |
| Acarpta® | Flovent Diskus® |
| Brovana® | QVAR® |
| Perfomist® | Alvesco® |
| | Pulmicort Flexhaler® |
| | Pulmicort Respules® |

- Reject response (NCPDP field 511-FB) "88- DUR Reject ERROR"
- Conflict code (NCPDP field 439-E4) "PN (Prescriber Notification)"
- Additional detailed messages (NCPDP field 544-FY): "**LABA WITH OUT ICS IN HISTORY**"

If a claim transaction is rejected due to this DUR edit and you intend to dispense the drug, you will need to override the reject (if appropriate). In order to process the override, the matching conflict code that was returned as the denial code must be placed in the Reason for Service Code (439-E4) field, ("PN" must be placed in the Reason for Service Code field). The DUR Conflict Code being sent as the override must match the Conflict Code received in the response of the original transaction. A corresponding entry must also be entered in the Result of Service Code (441-E6) field and appropriate Submission Clarification Code (420-DK).

| <u>Result of Service Code (441-E6)</u> <u>Examples</u> | <u>Submission Clarification Codes</u> <u>(420-DK)</u> |
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| 1A = Filled as is, false positive 1B = Filled, Prescription as is 1G = Filled with Prescriber Approval | 05 = Therapy Change 06 = Starter Dose 07 = Medically Necessary |

A full list of Result of Service codes can be found in the ProDUR-ECCA D.0 Provider Manual at:

<https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/Pharmacy/index.aspx>

Information on eMedNY 5010/D.0 Transaction Instructions can be found at:

https://www.emedny.org/HIPAA/5010/transactions/NCPDP_D.0_Companion_Guide.pdf

For questions on either of these transactions, providers may contact Computer Sciences Corporation at (800)-343-9000.

The Department will be developing a link on the DUR website which will provide a detailed criteria listing to be provided in a later communication.