

2014-2015 VACCINE ADMINISTRATION NETWORKS Effective August 1, 2014

As of August 1, 2014, many Plan Sponsors reimburse pharmacies for the dispensing and administration of vaccines. Please note that the vaccines covered can vary on a Plan Sponsor-by-Plan Sponsor basis. This communication provides general information regarding the Caremark Vaccine Administration Network and claims processing information.

2014-2015 reimbursement rates and NDCs are in effect as of August 1, 2014. Please note that Plan Sponsors may implement coverage of 2014-2015 vaccines and administration at any time on or after August 1. Please rely upon the claims adjudication response for determination of coverage at the time of administration. Please refer to the applicable Network Enrollment forms for additional information.

NETWORK ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

If your pharmacy has NOT enrolled in the following vaccine administration networks, meets all the certification and state/federal requirements for vaccine administration, and would like to participate, please follow the directions below to request network enrollment information.

Networks currently available for participation:

- Caremark Vaccine Administration Network
- FEP Vaccine Administration Network

If you are unsure of your participation status, you do not need to request enrollment forms unless you receive administration claim rejects with reject code 40 indicating you are not enrolled in the particular network to which you are submitting.

Network enrollment information:

Please fax your request for Vaccine Administration network enrollment forms to **1-480-314-8205**. Include your name, pharmacy name, pharmacy NCPDP and NPI, and your phone and fax numbers. Please include in your request the vaccine administration network names in which you are interested (above) in order for Caremark to provide you with the correct network enrollment forms.

CLAIMS SUBMISSION INFORMATION

When submitting administered vaccines claims to CVS/caremark, utilize “MA code processing” utilizing NCPDP fields 440-E5 and 438-E3. As a reminder—pharmacists are required to be certified and/or trained to administer vaccines. Please check with individual state boards of pharmacy to determine if pharmacists can administer vaccines in your respective state(s).

Field #	NCPDP Segment & Field Name	Required Vaccine Administration Information for Processing
440-E5	DUR/PPS Segment Professional Service Code Field	MA (Medication Administration)
438-E3	Pricing Segment Incentive Amount Submitted Field	≥ \$0.01 (Submit Administration Fee)

Vaccine Drug Coverage

Please rely on Caremark's on-line system response to determine vaccine drug coverage adjudicating through Caremark.

Dispensing the Vaccine Only

If Provider dispenses the vaccine medication only, submit the drug cost electronically according to current claims submission protocol, without populating NCPDP fields 440-E5 and 438-E3 as described for administering vaccines.

Submitting a Claim	
Dispensing and administering vaccine	Professional Service Code Field = MA Incentive Amount Submitted Field = "Submit Administration Fee (≥ \$0.01)"
Dispensing vaccine only	Submit drug cost using usual claim submission protocol
Submitting U&C Appropriately	
U&C to submit when dispensing and administering vaccine medication	Your U&C drug cost + Administration Fee

Please note that all Plan Sponsors who do cover vaccine administration are currently utilizing the MA code and incentive amount to trigger payment for an administration.

WHAT IF THE PLAN DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE VACCINE ADMINISTRATION NETWORK?

- When submitting the MA code and incentive amounts, if a **REJECT** occurs [E3,E5], the Plan Sponsor **DOES NOT** cover the administration for that vaccine
- The provider will then have the opportunity to resubmit the claim without the MA code to receive reimbursement for **vaccine ingredient cost and dispensing fee only** (if the vaccine is considered a Covered Item by the Plan Sponsor)
 - Provider can then charge a fee for administration to the member since administration is not a covered service
- When submitting the claim without the MA code and incentive amounts (drug only claim), if a **REJECT** occurs [70] then the vaccine is not considered a covered item by the Plan Sponsor under the pharmacy benefit. Pharmacy may consider the transaction to be a cash transaction unless Provider has an agreement with the member's medical insurance carrier for the administration of vaccines.

PRICING:

Consult the respective network enrollment forms for specific details regarding pricing.

Note: Caremark's reimbursement service fee for Medicare Part D vaccine administration remains the same for 2015 plan year – up to \$20.50 per occurrence.

Please rely on Caremark's on-line system response to determine Medicare Part D vaccine drug coverage for Medicare Part D plans adjudicating through Caremark.

PROCESSING:

Submit the appropriate quantity (i.e., 0.5ml) and the appropriate days supply (up to 30) – inappropriate quantities or days supply may cause the claim to reject.

Chains and affiliations are enrolled at the full chain and affiliation code level. Pharmacies should submit the proper "MA" code in field 440-E5 of the DUR/PPS Segment along with a positive incentive fee amount in Field 438-E3 of the Pricing Segment, when administering vaccines. When administering vaccines, **the claim will adjudicate incorrectly if the DUR/PPS Reason code with value MA is not populated.**

CAREMARK PAYER SHEETS

PAYER SHEETS: For additional claim processing information, refer to the CVS/caremark Payer Sheets at www.caremark.com/pharminfo or www.caremark.com > For Pharmacists and Medical Professionals (lower left) > NCPDP Payer Sheets.