

Medicare Programs Vaccine Processing Requirements

Medicare Programs will cover the Vaccine Administration Fee associated with the injection of certain covered vaccines. The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) interprets this statutory requirement to mean that the Vaccine Administration Fee is a component of the total negotiated price, which also includes the agreed upon ingredient cost and dispensing fee (set forth in the applicable Exhibit B's) for Part D Vaccines.

CMS Web site:

http://www.cms.hhs.gov/PrescriptionDrugCovContra/Downloads/MemoVaccineAdministration_05.14.07.pdf

Medicare Part D Vaccine Administration Program Requirements

- Pharmacies administering Part D vaccines, where allowed by state law, shall abide by all such applicable state and federal laws, regulations and guidelines governing vaccine sale and administration.
- The terms and conditions relating to payment for the Prescription Drug Service (including ingredient cost, dispensing fee and administration fee for the Part D Vaccine are governed by the applicable Exhibit B, Rates and Terms.
- Pharmacy must submit its claim for the Vaccine Administration Fee to Prime electronically (online), together with the related claim for payment of the applicable ingredient costs and dispensing fee, all **as a single claim**.
- If for any reason you are not submitting a claim for ingredient cost and dispensing fee, but seek reimbursement for the Vaccine Administration Fee, an administration fee-only claim would need to be submitted by the Beneficiary via Paper Claim.

Processing Requirements

- Pharmacy is required to utilize the DUR/PPS segment of the NCPDP telecommunications standard to be entitled to Pharmacy Payment for Vaccine Administration Services.

NCPDP Telecommunications Required Fields

DUR/PPS Code Counter	Professional Service Code	Incentive Amount Submitted
473-7E	440-E5	438-E3
Value of 1	MA = Medication Administration	Submitted Incentive Fee

For More Information:

For software set-up information, please visit Prime's website at:

http://www.primetherapeutics.com/pdf/PayorSheet_MedicarePartD.pdf