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Billing Changes for Dispensing Medication

To keep our valued care delivery partners up to date, MVP Health Care® (MVP) is sharing an update regarding the dispensing of medications to Members.

New York State Education Law Article 137 allows practitioners who are authorized to prescribe to dispense medications directly to their patients. Additional registration or ownership of a pharmacy is not required. This dispensing must be done in accordance with Federal and New York State Medicaid program policies for dispensing, billing, and record keeping.

The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) now requires practitioners dispensing medications in the office to bill via the HCFA-1500 / 837P medical claim format. This change is effective for Fee-For Service Medicaid and Medicaid Managed Care plans, including MVP Medicaid Members. If the claims are not submitted via the medical claim format, they will not adjudicate for reimbursement.

Billing Guidance:

Submit claims for dispensed medications using an applicable Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) code and a corresponding National Drug Code (NDC).

For oral medications that do not have a specific HCPCS code assigned, please use the following codes:

- **J8999- RX Drug Oral Chemotherapy**
- **J8499- RX Drug Non-Chemotherapy**

For additional information, please review the New York State Medicaid Update for July 2022 at: health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/update/2022/no08_2022-07.htm#dispensing.

Thank you for your continued partnership and collaboration as we work toward our shared goals of providing high quality and efficient care.

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