



## DVHA Pharmacy Bulletin

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### CLAIMS PROCESSING UPDATES

#### Billing for Influenza (Flu) Vaccine and Administration Fee through POS

Since 2011, DVHA has reimbursed pharmacies for administering Flu Vaccine to Medicaid recipients who are 19 years and older and do not have Medicare. During this time, many pharmacies have expressed an interest in being able to bill for Influenza vaccine administration through the pharmacy POS system, versus filing a medical claim (CMS-1500). **DVHA is pleased to announce that beginning September 1, 2013, pharmacies can bill for the ingredient cost of the vaccine as well as an administration fee through the pharmacy POS system.** The current reimbursement is \$20.65, which reflects the combined total of the dispensing fee and the professional services fee. The pharmacy must submit the code “MA” in the Professional Service Code field for the influenza vaccine claim in order to receive full reimbursement. Please note there will be NO beneficiary copay for influenza vaccine. Questions can be directed to Michelle Sirois at (802) 879-5940.

| Required NCPDP Fields |                           |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| NCPDP Field Number    | NCPDP Field Description   | Required Code       |
| 44Ø-E5                | Professional Service Code | MA                  |
| 4Ø7-D7                | Product/Service ID        | NDC for Flu Vaccine |

#### Medicare B – Diabetic Testing Supplies

As of July 2013, Medicare will have a National Mail-Order Program for diabetic testing supplies (like test strips and lancets). No matter where a beneficiary lives, he or she will need to use a Medicare national mail-order contract supplier for Medicare to pay for diabetic testing supplies **that are delivered to beneficiary homes**. Beneficiaries who do not want diabetic testing supplies delivered to their homes can still go to any local store (local pharmacy or storefront supplier) that’s enrolled with Medicare and buy them there. Beneficiaries can either call 1-800-Medicare or visit <https://data.medicare.gov/data/supplier-directory> and search the CMS Official Provider Directory (select CVS Flat Files) to find a Medicare national mail-order supplier.

#### Prior Authorization (PA) End Date Now Returned on Claim

DVHA has expanded the information returned on paid claims to include the end date of the drug’s prior authorization (if a prior authorization is required). This information should simplify the PA process by notifying pharmacies in advance of the authorization’s expiration date, so that a new prior authorization can be obtained without interruption of the patient’s treatment regimen.

