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Web Announcement 216

Get Connected and E-Prescribe for Nevada Medicaid/Nevada Check Up Recipients

Providers who use electronic prescribing now have access to data that will assist them in managing prescriptions for Nevada Medicaid/Nevada Check Up Fee For Service recipients. The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) and First Health Services have made recipient pharmacy claims history, eligibility and Nevada Medicaid drug coverage data available to prescribers who use electronic prescribing systems. The online system can indicate if a drug is covered, not covered or a prior authorization (PA) is required.

Prescribers who use electronic prescribing systems can arrange for appropriate access to this data by contacting their software vendors. The functionality of the system is determined by your software vendor. The recipient data provided by DHCFP and First Health Services to software vendors is transmitted via technologies that are compliant with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) security requirements.

For providers who do not send electronic prescriptions, now is the time to get connected. Providers who e-prescribe can issue prescriptions electronically computer-to-computer as opposed to issuing prescriptions by paper, fax or phone. E-prescribing also allows practices to receive and respond to prescription refill requests electronically.

A benefit for practices that utilize e-prescribing is that they are exempt from the new tamper-resistant prescription pad requirements for all written, non-electronic prescriptions for Medicaid Fee For Service outpatient drugs (see [Web Announcement 215](#)).

As with all providers, electronic prescribers are responsible for assuring the confidentiality and security of the recipient's information.

For more information on electronic prescribing, select the new "[E-Prescribing](#)" tab from the "Providers" menu on this website.

