

UnitedHealthcare Community of Maryland Pharmacist Medical Billing Guide

The role of the pharmacist has expanded significantly over the years, going beyond medication dispensing, enabling pharmacists to engage in direct patient care. As providers, pharmacists can offer a wide range of clinical services to patients. These services include medication therapy management, disease management, immunizations, transitions of care management, point-of-care testing, patient education and counseling and continues to expand.

The scope of pharmacists can vary from state to state, and the legal capacity to assess, prescribe and administer biological products is dependent on the state. Traditionally, pharmacist-provided patient care services have had limited reimbursement modalities. Pharmacists' ability to receive reimbursement for patient care services have advanced over the years, but despite new headways, the medical billing process remains inconsistent and there is no established standard in place. We are aiming to make it easy to support the implementation of pharmacists provider programs.

The goal of this guide is to provide pharmacists guidance to bill as medical providers within applicable legislative boundaries and provide tools and resources to help pharmacist submit electronic claims through the UnitedHealthcare provider portal.

Professional claim submission

Visit our [Interactive Guide](#) to learn how to enter claims electronically for eligible pharmacist-billable services.

This site will allow electronic claim submission as well as checking the status on submitted claims.



Questions?

We're here to help. For chat option and contact information, visit UHCprovider.com/contactus.

Maryland pharmacists as provider specifics

- Scope of practice
 - [Pharmacists Scope of Practice, Effective January 1, 2024.pdf \(maryland.gov\)](#)
- Enrollment is a 2-part process; both the pharmacy and pharmacist will have to enroll.
 - A licensed pharmacy must :
 - Have a type 2 National Provider Identifier (NPI) or obtain through the [National Plan and Provider Enumeration System \(NPPES\)](#)
 - Any individual pharmacist who does not have a type 1 NPI will need to obtain one to apply as a pharmacist.
- Pharmacist checklist for new applications
 - [ePREP Checklist for Pharmacists 12.29.23.pdf \(maryland.gov\)](#)
- Pharmacists can enroll via ePREP (Electronic Provider Revalidation and Enrollment Portal) at eprep.health.maryland.gov.
 - [ePREP Provider Portal \(maryland.gov\)](#)
 - Select provider type PH – Pharmacist Prescriber
 - Pharmacies must submit a group application along with any individual pharmacists
 - Pharmacist group serves for billing provider for claims on services rendered
 - Note that Medicaid makes payment to the pharmacy, not the pharmacist.
- Maryland pharmacists may bill:
 - Smoking cessation counseling
 - MTM services
 - Contraceptive prescribing
 - Maintenance injectable medications
 - Administration of a vaccine

Appendix

CPT® code	Description
90460	Immunization administration through 18 years of age of free vaccines via the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program
96372	Injection of drug under the skin or into the muscle
99202	Office or other outpatient visits for the evaluation and management of a new patient, which requires a medically appropriate history and/or examination and straightforward medical decision-making. When using time for code selection, 15-29 minutes of total time is spent on the date of the encounter (for contraceptive purposes only)
99211	Office or other outpatient visit for the evaluation and management of an established patient that may not require the presence of a physician or other qualified health care professional (for contraceptive purposes only)
99406	Smoking cessation counseling visit 3-10 minutes
99407	Smoking cessation counseling visit greater than 10 minutes
99605	MTM new patient (8-15 mins.)
99606	MTM established patient (8-15 mins.)
99607	MTM additional 8-15 mins.

Example ICD 10 Codes

Hormone replacement therapy/pregnancy	
Z30.011	Encounter for initial prescription of contraceptive pills
Z30.016	Encounter for initial prescription of transdermal patch hormonal contraceptive device
Z30.41	Encounter for surveillance of contraceptive therapy pills
Z30.45	Encounter for surveillance of transdermal patch hormonal contraceptive therapy
Z30.09	Counseling
Z30.012	Emergency
Z30.013	Injectable
Z30.015	Ring
Z30.018 or Z30.01	Initial script for contraception
Z30.40 thru Z30.45	Maintenance/surveillance
Z34.9 thru Z34.93	Prenatal vitamin

Example ICD 10 Codes (cont.)

HIV PEP/PREP	
Z20.2	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to infections with a predominantly sexual mode of transmission
Z20.6	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to human immunodeficiency virus [HIV]
Z77.21	Contact with and (suspected) exposure to potentially hazardous body fluids
Flu/COVID	
J10	Flu
CPT: 87804	Infectious agent antigen detection by immunoassay with direct optical (i.e., visual) observation; influenza
CPT: 86710	Antibody; influenza virus
Z11.52	COVID-19
U07.1 (COVID-19) and 1 of the following: ICD-10-PCS codes for VEKLURY (remdesivir), COVID-19 convalescent plasma, or Olumiant (baricitinib) National Drug Codes (NDC) for PAXLOVID (nirmatrelvir co-packaged with ritonavir), Lagevrio (molnupiravir), Kineret, and GOHIBIC	COVID-19
Immunizations	
Z71.85	Counseling
PCS: 3E01, 3E02, 3E00, 3E03, 3E04, 3E05, 3E06, 3E09, 3E0D, XW02	Administration
Z23	Vaccine administration
Nicotine Replacement Therapy	
Z72.0	Tobacco use
99.33	Smoking (tobacco) complicating pregnancy, unspecified trimester

Example ICD 10 Codes (cont.)

Alcohol Disorders	
F10.1	Alcohol abuse
F10.2	Alcohol dependence
Other	
T78.00 thru T78.09, T78.2	Epinephrine
F11.1 thru f11.19, f.11.120, f11.121, f11.122, f11.129	Naloxone
Testing	
Z13.1	A1C
CPT: 93793	INR
CPT: 3210F	Strep
N39.0	UTI
Z13.220	Cholesterol
CPT: 86617, 86618	Lyme's disease
CPT: 86592, 86593	Syphilis
CPT: 3266F	Hep C
Z11.1	TB

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