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Retroactive Dispensing Fee Update

As referenced in the [November 2018 Medicaid Update](#), New York State Department of Health revised the Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) pharmacy professional dispensing fee on November 5, 2018 from \$10.00 to \$10.08 for covered outpatient drugs, when applicable. This was based on the enacted budget and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) state plan approval (https://www.health.ny.gov/regulations/state_plans/status/non-inst/approved/docs/app_2018-09-05_spa_18-22.pdf).

This did not include retroactive adjustments to the dispensing fee back to April 1, 2018. Those adjustments will now be processed for the time period of April 1, 2018- November 4, 2018 and will be included in your Medicaid Cycle #2246 remittance.

Activity	Service Dates	Estimated # of Claims	Medicaid cycle #
Reprice Dispensing Fees (additional .08)	4/1/18 through 11/4/18	4.43 M	2246*

*Medicaid cycle chart can be found here:

https://www.emedny.org/hipaa/news/PDFS/CYCLE_CALENDAR.pdf

The payment will be listed on cycle 2246 remittance advice as a LS1 payment with the description, “**2018 .08 Dispensing Fee**”. This reflects all dispensing fees as a financial adjustment calculated by, .08 cents multiplied by the number of claims which qualify within the time period of 4/1/18- 11/4/18. Guidelines for remittance advice can be found here: https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/AllProviders/General_Remittance_Guidelines.pdf.

Providers if you have an outstanding balance due to Medicaid, this payment will be offset to the liability. Medicaid liabilities are listed on the 2nd to the last page of your weekly remittance advice generated from ePACES including the amount recouped each week and remaining balance due. For more information regarding Medicaid liabilities and assistance resolving outstanding balances please email bimamail@health.ny.gov.

Questions regarding this payment can be sent to ppno@health.ny.gov.