



## **New York State Pharmacy Coverage for Coronavirus Vaccines for Members Eligible for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program**

**UPDATE:** In accordance with the extension of the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act through December 31, 2029, or if otherwise communicated before that date, VFC and non-VFC enrolled pharmacies may continue to process claims for the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccine.

- **VFC enrolled pharmacies** may not bill Medicaid for the cost of vaccines that have been obtained via the VFC program.
- **Non-VFC enrolled pharmacies** will continue to bill the COVID-19 vaccine utilizing procedure codes for persons under 19 years of age with the actual acquisition cost of the vaccine to be paid appropriately.

Complete billing guidance for VFC and non-VFC providers are posted in the, *NYRx, Medicaid Pharmacy Program Pharmacists as Immunizers Fact Sheet*, found here: [https://health.ny.gov/health\\_care/medicaid/program/docs/phar\\_immun\\_fact.pdf](https://health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/docs/phar_immun_fact.pdf) and in, *Correction: NYRx, Medicaid Pharmacy Program Vaccine Billing Guidance*, found here: [https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/Pharmacy/PDFS/Vaccine\\_Billing\\_Guidance\\_-\\_10-29-24.pdf](https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/Pharmacy/PDFS/Vaccine_Billing_Guidance_-_10-29-24.pdf).

### **Additional Information and Questions:**

- For COVID-19 information, providers should visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) “COVID-19 Vaccines & Immunizations” web page, located at: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/index.html>.
- NYS Medicaid FFS claim questions should be directed to the eMedNY Call Center at (800) 343-9000.
- NYRx Pharmacy Policy questions should be directed to (518) 486-3209 or [NYRx@health.ny.gov](mailto:NYRx@health.ny.gov).
- NYS Medicaid FFS coverage and policy questions should be directed to the Office of Health Insurance Programs (OHIP) Division of Program Development and Management (DPDM) by telephone at (518) 473-2160 or by email at [FFSMedicaidPolicy@health.ny.gov](mailto:FFSMedicaidPolicy@health.ny.gov).
- Medicaid Managed Care questions should be directed to the specific Managed Care Plan of the enrollee. Plan contact information can be found in the eMedNY *New York State Medicaid Program Information for All Providers – Managed Care Information* document, located at: [https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/AllProviders/PDFS/Information\\_for\\_All\\_Providers\\_Managed\\_Care\\_Information.pdf](https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/AllProviders/PDFS/Information_for_All_Providers_Managed_Care_Information.pdf).