



IMPORTANT PHARMACY NOTIFICATION

TO: Network Pharmacies
FROM: Network Development, ProCare Rx & MC-Rx
DATE: August 14, 2020
RE: Quantity Prescribed (460-ET) Field

Due to Health and Human Services Final Rule: Administrative Simplification: Modification of the Requirements for the Use of Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) D.O Standard: CMS-0055-F, released January 24, 2020, we are in process of updating our payer sheets.

The rule requires a modification to how the Quantity Prescribed (460-ET) field is used in the 2007 version of the NCPDP Telecommunication Version D.O Standard claim form for pharmacy transactions for Schedule II drugs. According to the rule, “the modification enables covered entities to distinguish whether a prescription is a “partial fill,” where less than the full amount prescribed is dispensed, or a refill, where the full amount prescribed is dispensed, in the HIPAA retail pharmacy transactions.”¹

Although the NCPDP Telecommunication Standard vD.O, published August 2007, has not changed and the field is listed as “Not Used”, CMS-0055-F Final Rule states the Quantity Prescribed (460-ET) field will be required for all Schedule II drugs.²

We are currently accepting claim submissions with the Quantity Prescribed (460-ET) field. However, on September 21, 2020, all retail pharmacies will be REQUIRED to use the Quantity Prescribed (460-ET) field for all Schedule II prescription drug claims, or the claims will be rejected.

Updated payer sheets will be available soon. Thank you for your continued support and participation within our networks!

¹ <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-01-24/pdf/2020-00551.pdf>

² https://ncdp.org/NCPDP/media/pdf/CMS-0055-F_QuantityPrescribed.pdf