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Matching Origin Codes to Correct Prescription Serial Number in Medicaid

Reminder: Prescriptions billed to NYRx, the Medicaid Pharmacy Program require the appropriate origin code and corresponding serial number; the information describes the format the prescription was received. Serial numbers are a unique alphanumeric number on the bottom right of an Official New York Prescription Form (ONYSRx). The table below describes all the different circumstances a prescription may be obtained at various pharmacy types; and will assist in choosing the correct match. *Note:* Prescription drug orders received from a 'care coordinator' or other party other than the prescribing practitioner are not valid.

Origin Code	Corresponding Serial Number Determination	Description
1	Unique ONYSRx #	**Written** - Prescriptions prescribed in New York will be on Official New York prescription forms with a designated serial number to use.
1	ZZZZZZZZ	**Written** - Prescriptions prescribed from out-of-state providers or by prescribers within a federal institution (e.g., United States Department of Veterans Affairs) or Indian Reservation.
2	99999999	**Telephone** - Prescriptions obtained via oral instructions or interactive voice response using a telephone.
2	SSSSSSSS	**Telephone*** – Fiscal orders obtained via oral instructions using a telephone.
3	EEEEEEEE	**Electronic** - Prescriptions obtained via SCRIPT or Health Level 7 (HL7) standard transactions, or electronically within closed systems.**
4	Unique ONYSRx #	**Facsimile*** – non-controlled ONYSRx prescriptions and fiscal orders obtained via fax machine transmission.
4	SSSSSSSS	**Facsimile** – Fiscal Orders not on a ONYSRx obtained via fax machine transmission.*
4	NNNNNNNN	**Facsimile** – non-controlled prescriptions obtained via fax machine transmission for **nursing home** patients *** (a.k.a "roster billing") in accordance with written procedures approved by the medical or other authorized board of the facility.
5	TTTTTTTT	**Pharmacy** - this value is used to cover any situation where a new Rx number needs to be created from an existing valid prescription such as traditional transfers, intra-chain transfers, file buys, software upgrades/migration, and any lawful reason necessary to give it a new number. ****
5	99999999	**Pharmacy** - this value is for "Pharmacy dispensing" when applicable such as standing or other non-patient specific orders (immunizations, naloxone), OTC emergency contraception, established protocols, lab specimen collection, Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)-waived testing, or other pharmacist's authority to prescribe, etc.
5	DDDDDDDD	**Pharmacy** - this value is used to cover prescriptions dispensed as "Medically Necessary during a Declared State of Emergency" (excluding controlled substances).

Oral or facsimile fiscal orders that are not on an ONYSRx are not considered an original order. The dispensing provider is required to obtain the original signed Fiscal order from the ordering provider within 30 days. An original order is defined as: A prescription or fiscal order, received in written or electronic format, that is executed in accordance with all applicable State and federal law or regulation; also can be known as a hard copy or follow up if written in response to an oral or faxed order. Facsimile prescriptions are not valid without a unique ONYSRx#.

**Fail-over electronically transmitted prescriptions that come to the pharmacy as a facsimile are invalid. Reference: http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/pharm/pharmelectrans.htm.

***As per NYS Education Department Law (SED) Article 137 §6810(7)(b) and Regents Rules Section 29.7(a)(1).

****Remember to use original date prescribed as "written date" when processing prescription transfers. Transfers are not allowed for controlled substances in New York State.

Note:
Documentation must be retained according to Medicaid Rules and Regulations.
All claims must be submitted according to State and federal Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Medicaid Policy.
All claims are subject to audit and investigation. Providers must ensure that claims submitted to Medicaid are true, accurate and complete (18 NYCRR §505.4).

Questions
Questions regarding this billing requirement should be directed to the eMedNY Call Center at (800) 343-9000.

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