

INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 2163-MC-FFS

DATE: August 31, 2020

TO: Iowa Medicaid Pharmacies

APPLIES TO: Managed Care (MC), Fee-for-Service (FFS)

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: September 2020 NCPDP D.Ø Payer Sheet Update – Quantity Prescribed

EFFECTIVE: September 21, 2020

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued [CMS-0055-F¹](#) published on January 31, 2020, effective March 24, 2020, with a compliance date of September 21, 2020.

The final rule adopts a modification of the requirements for the use of the Telecommunication Standard Implementation Guide, Version D, Release 0 (Version D. Ø), August 2007, National Council for Prescription Drug Programs, by requiring covered entities to use the Quantity Prescribed (46Ø-ET) field for retail pharmacy transactions for Schedule II drugs.

The FFS Payer Sheet is updated to reflect this requirement.

Field #	NCPDP Field Name	Value	Payer Usage	Payer Situation
46Ø-ET	QUANTITY PRESCRIBED		RW	<i>Imp Guide:</i> Required if Schedule II Drugs Prescribed

See the updated FFS Payer Sheet [here²](#).

Each Managed Care Organization (MCO) will make similar changes and should be contacted for specifics relative to each MCO Payer Sheet.

If you have questions, please contact the appropriate MCO or the IME Pharmacy POS Helpdesk at 877-463-7671 or 515-256-4608 (local in Des Moines) or e-mail info@iowamedicaidpdl.com.

¹ <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/01/24/2020-00551/administrative-simplification-modification-of-the-requirements-for-the-use-of-health-insurance>

² http://www.iowamedicaidpos.com/sites/default/files/ghs-files/2020-08-14/D0_Payer_Sheet_IAPOP_20200814_DRAFT%20v.2.pdf