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Information for Pharmacists

Claims Submission Procedure – Manitoba HIV Medications Program

Effective June 3, 2024

**Please include this Procedure in your Drug Programs Information
Network (DPIN) Manual under Section 4: Claims Submission.**

- This Claims Submission Procedure (CSP) for Manitoba HIV Medications Program (MHMP) applies to community pharmacy dispensation of medications covered on the Manitoba Formulary **prescribed for the purpose of HIV prevention (including pre-exposure prophylaxis [PrEP] and post-exposure prophylaxis [PEP]) or treatment (anti-retroviral therapy [ART])** to eligible Manitoba residents with active Manitoba Health coverage who do not have 100% coverage under another government funded program;
 - Not eligible for MHMP: Clients with federal or other provincial drug coverage where no deductibles apply (including clients enrolled in Manitoba's Personal Care Home, Employment and Income Assistance [EIA], and Palliative Care Drug Access Program)
 - Eligible for MHMP: Clients enrolled in the Manitoba Pharmacare program
- Pharmacies must submit MHMP claims to Drug Program Information Network (DPIN) under the new Public Health (PH) Carrier Code, 06.
- Pharmacies may charge a **maximum \$14 professional fee** for medications dispensed through the MHMP.
- Manitoba will not reimburse pharmacies for more than **one (1) professional fee** per month for medications dispensed for ART or PrEP and covered under the MHMP. Note – this does not apply to medications dispensed for PEP.
 - “One (1) month” refers to a per 30-day period or 28-day cycle.
 - Authorization for coverage of more frequent dispensing of medications for ART or PrEP may be requested as established in the [CSP – Dispensing Frequency](#).
- Before submitting a MHMP claim to DPIN under the Public Health carrier code – carrier code 06 – the following must be undertaken;
 1. The client must be asked to self-declare whether they are eligible for coverage under a federal drug program, and if so, the claim must be processed under that federal program. Pharmacies must keep a record of the individual's response to this inquiry that corresponds with each MHMP dispensation.
 2. If the client declares they do not have coverage under a federal drug program, the client must be asked to self-declare whether they are eligible for coverage under any of the following provincial drug programs (and if so, the claim must be processed under the associated carrier code; pharmacies must keep a record of the individual's response to this inquiry that corresponds with each MHMP dispensation):
 - Personal Care Home – carrier code 02

- Employment and Income Assistance (EIA) – carrier code 03
- Palliative Care – carrier code 04
- **Exception Drug Status (EDS) benefits require prior approval by the department through usual EDS process in order to be considered an eligible benefit for the client under provincial drug programs, including the MHMP.** No backdating of EDS coverage will be provided under any provincial drug program, no exceptions.
- Effective June 3, 2024, the prior gap coverage program and associated processes established in the CSP – Manitoba HIV Medication Program – Anti-Retroviral Therapies (ART) and CSP – Manitoba HIV Medication Program – Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) are no longer in effect. **Claims for HIV medications dispensed according to these expired procedures after June 3, 2024 will not be reimbursed by the department.**
- HIV medications covered through the MHMP are listed in the [MHMP Drug List](#). If there are any discrepancies between this List and the Manitoba Drug Benefits Formulary (which lists Part 1 and Part 2 medications) and approved EDS medications, the Formulary and EDS approvals prevail.
- Pharmacies that are using the legacy Telus software, Assyst Rx-A, will be required to contact the Telus Help Desk to obtain direction on how to add the new Carrier Code to their systems to ensure successful adjudication of eligible drug benefits listed under the new carrier code.

If your questions are not answered by reviewing the Claims Submission Procedures and FAQs posted at:
<https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/pharmacare/healthprofessionals.html>

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