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IHCP update for COVID-19 vaccination pharmacy claims ordered and administered by pharmacists

Effective immediately, coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccination pharmacy claims, ordered and administered by pharmacists, may be submitted using the pharmacist's name and pharmacy's National Provider Identifier (NPI), as prescriber. See *Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) Bulletin [BT2020127](#)* for details.



Pharmacists prescribing and administering COVID-19 vaccinations should:

- Enter prescribing information on a prescription form.
- Enter the prescribing pharmacist's name and signature and the pharmacy's NPI on the prescriber's signature line of the prescription form.
- Submit the pharmacy claim using the pharmacy's NPI also as the prescribing NPI and entering the National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) Service Clarification Code (SCC) 42. (*Note: Claims submitted using an individual pharmacist's NPI will be rejected for nonenrolled provider.*)

Alternatively, pharmacists may continue to enter Dr. Kristina M Box (NPI 1730161647) as the prescriber.

Pharmacists should continue to follow the Indiana Department of Health's [Statewide Protocol for the Administration of Vaccines by Pharmacists](#).

Please direct prior authorization (PA) requests and questions about COVID-19 vaccinations or this bulletin to the OptumRx Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling toll-free 1-855-577-6317. Questions regarding all other pharmacy benefits for members in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Healthwise, and Hoosier Care Connect should be referred to the managed care entity (MCE) with which the member is enrolled.

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