



PHARMACY FACTS

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Independent Pharmacy and Entity-Owned Community Health Center Pharmacy Attestation and Enhanced-Services Pharmacy Attestation

Beginning October 2024, MassHealth will require independent pharmacies and entity-owned community health center (CHC) pharmacies to complete an attestation form on an annual basis if they wish to be considered independent pharmacies or entity-owned CHC pharmacies by MassHealth, as well an attestation for independent pharmacies or entity-owned CHC pharmacies that provide enhanced services to members (as described below). Independent pharmacies are defined as one of three or fewer pharmacies under common ownership. Entity-owned CHC pharmacies are owned by the CHC and do not include pharmacies with a contract relationship with a CHC. Any pharmacy that is not owned by a CHC or does not meet the definition of an independent pharmacy should not complete the attestation forms.

MassHealth will collect all attestation forms and anticipates using them to assign the appropriate professional dispensing fee for independent pharmacies, entity-owned CHC pharmacies, and enhanced-services pharmacies, to the extent that MassHealth sets new dispensing fees for these pharmacies. In addition, MassHealth may use these forms in connection with payment requirements for independent pharmacies, entity-owned CHC pharmacies, and enhanced-services pharmacies for MassHealth managed care entities. The participating pharmacy must complete this form and email it to MassHealth for review. MassHealth anticipates that this will be an annual process.

As described above and subject to any required approvals, MassHealth expects to establish a higher-tier dispensing fee for independent pharmacies or entity-owned CHC pharmacies that provide enhanced services to members. These services include, but are not limited to, pharmacy-provided home delivery, adherence and blister packaging, comprehensive medication review, medication synchronization, immunizations, and medication reconciliation. If an independent pharmacy or an entity-owned CHC pharmacy provides these services, then they must attest to this on the enhanced-services pharmacy form. Any pharmacy that does not provide these services should not complete the attestation form. Please note: pharmacies that complete this attestation form must also complete the independent pharmacy and entity-owned CHC pharmacy attestation form.

The Independent Pharmacy and Entity-Owned Community Health Center Pharmacy Attestation form can be found at <https://mhd1.pharmacy.services.conduent.com/MHDL/welcome.do> under the section titled "Independent Pharmacy and Entity-Owned Community Health Center Pharmacy Attestation."

The Enhanced Services Pharmacy Attestation form can be found at <https://mhd1.pharmacy.services.conduent.com/MHDL/welcome.do> under the section titled "Enhanced Services Pharmacy Attestation."

Forms will be made available on the first Monday of October each year. MassHealth must receive the completed forms by close of business on the third Friday of October each year. Instructions for submission can be found on the attestation form.