

PACE/CRDP/SPBP PROVIDER BULLETIN

January 28, 2016

UPDATES:

PRESCRIBER EDIT ENHANCEMENT: IMPLEMENTATION

THE PRESCRIBER EDIT ENHANCEMENT BEGINS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2016.

Claims failing this edit will deny with NCPDP Error 71, "Prescriber Is Not Covered." Denied NPI's will include those identifying:

- Organizations such as hospitals or physician practices.
- Prescribers whose license has expired. (MT's and OT's are the most common.)
- Prescribers practicing in a bordering state, but whose address on file lists a state other than those allowed by PACE.
- Prescribers whose NPI identify them as not being permitted to prescribe.
- Prescribers who are precluded or excluded by Medicaid.

PART D TRANSITION PERIOD: EXTENSION

As in previous years, PACE has enacted a transition period to allow providers to finish updating the cardholders' profiles. During this time, PACE accepts claims containing a different BIN in the COB segment than contained on file.

With the prescriber edit taking effect on February 1st, the Department is concerned about the impact of three edits taking effect on the same day and has decided to implement the edits in phases. The result is that the Part D Transition Period is being extended by one month to **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2016.**

PPI's: EXTENSION

With the extension of the Part D Transition Period, the PPI edit implementation date has been moved to **MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2016.** The goal is to give providers additional time to update cardholder profiles since it is critical that the correct plan's formulary be billed.

As explained in the earlier bulletin PACE is **beginning to coordinate with Part D primary plan's formularies beginning with PPI's.** Providers will be kept informed of future implementation dates as this coordination expands to other drug classes in the Part D plans' formularies.

Questions may be directed to Provider Services at 1-800-835-4080.