

School Supportive Health Services Program (SSHSP)

Directions on How to Verify Ordering/Referring Practitioner's Enrollment Status in the NYS Medicaid Program

Medicaid Alert #13-07 informs the field that, as of October 1, 2013, practitioners ordering or referring services paid by Fee-For-Service Medicaid (e.g., SHSSP) must be enrolled in the NYS Medicaid Program. **Only Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners and Speech-Language Pathologists who order or refer services paid by Fee-For-Service Medicaid must be enrolled** for purposes of the SSHSP. Other practitioners, such as Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Licensed Practical Nurses, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Registered Nurses and Licensed Master Social Workers are not required to enroll in the NYS Medicaid Program. "Appropriate School Officials" who refer for psychological counseling services also do not need to enroll in the NYS Medicaid Program.

Below are instructions on how to verify if a practitioner is enrolled in the NYS Medicaid Program.

1. Go to <https://www.eMedNY.org> or <https://www.eMedNY.org/info/index.aspx>
2. Click on the "Information" tab at the top of the screen. This will take you to the "Information Overview" screen.
3. On the "Information Overview" screen, scroll down and click on "Ordering/Prescribing/Referring/Attending Provider SEARCH"
4. On the "Ordering/Prescribing/Referring/Attending Provider SEARCH" screen, under "Find Ordering/Prescribing/Referring/Attending Information," you can enter either the NPI #, license # or provider name of the ordering/referring practitioner (Physician, Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner or Speech-Language Pathologist) into the "Value" field and click "SEARCH." (Note: the "Field" field should correspond to the information you are searching on).
5. If the information you are looking for displays on the screen, then the practitioner is enrolled in the New York State Medicaid Program.
6. If the information does not display on the screen, the practitioner is not enrolled in the NYS Medicaid Program. An SSHSP claim that contains that practitioner's NPI # will be denied for payment as of October 1, 2013. For a school district or county to be paid for that claim, the ordering/referring practitioner would need to enroll in the NYS Medicaid Program, or the school district or county would need to obtain a written order/referral by a practitioner who is enrolled.

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