

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-901.03

**To:** Nebraska Medicaid Managed Care Plans  
**From:** Drew Gonshorowski, Director *DG*  
**Date:** June 18, 2025  
**Re:** Pharmacy Dispensing Fee Rate Increase

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This health plan advisory is being issued to notify Nebraska Medicaid pharmacy providers of upcoming changes to the pharmacy professional dispensing fee rate effective July 1, 2025. This update is being made as a result of a statutorily-required pharmacy dispensing fee study as mandated per [Nebraska Revised Statute 68-9,111](#) (2024).

Independent pharmacies who fill a prescription for a Nebraska Medicaid managed care member will receive a professional dispensing fee rate increase from \$10.38 to \$10.50 for prescriptions dispensed on or after July 1, 2025.

Per Nebraska Revised Statute 68-9,111, independent pharmacies are defined as those who own six or fewer pharmacies.

Long-term care pharmacy providers will continue to receive one dispensing fee per month per prescription for services provided to nursing and intermediate care facilities.

Tribal rates will continue to be reimbursed at the federal encounter rate.

## Resources

If you have questions regarding this advisory, please contact Danny Vanourney at [Danny.Vanourney@nebraska.gov](mailto:Danny.Vanourney@nebraska.gov) or Leah Spencer at [DHHS.MedicaidPharmacyUnit@nebraska.gov](mailto:DHHS.MedicaidPharmacyUnit@nebraska.gov). Health plans should also copy their contract manager.

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