

Ordering/Referring/Prescribing Providers

PURPOSE

This policy explains North Dakota Medicaid requirements for an ordering/referring/prescribing (ORP) provider National Provider Identifier (NPI) on professional claims. [42 CFR §455.440](#) requires state Medicaid programs to ensure claims for payment for items and services that were ordered or referred contain the NPI of the physician or other professional who ordered or referred such items or services.

APPLICABILITY

ELIGIBLE PROVIDERS

The policy applies to the following services and provider types. The types of services/items identified are services where federal and/or state regulations require orders, referrals, or prescriptions for a North Dakota Medicaid member to receive an item or service.

ALLOWABLE ORP PROVIDER TYPES

Allowable provider types under each service may be listed as the ORP provider on the claim if their scope of practice allows for the order/referral/prescription. ORP providers must be enrolled with ND Medicaid.

SERVICES AND LIMITS

GENERAL PROVIDER POLICIES

The [General Provider Policies](#) details basic coverage requirements for all services.

Basic coverage requirements include:

- The provider must be enrolled in ND Medicaid;
- Services must be medically necessary;
- The member must be eligible on the date of service; and
- If applicable, the service has an approved service authorization.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

- Screening, Triage, and Referral Leading to Assessment*
- Behavioral Assessment
- Crisis Intervention*
- Behavioral Intervention
- Individual and Group Counseling

- Behavioral Health Counseling and Therapy
- Intensive in-home for Children
- Nursing Assessment and Evaluation
- Skills Training and Integration
- Assessment for Alleged Abuse and/or Neglect and Recommended Plan of Care (formerly known as Forensic Interview) *

*The rendering provider may order these services.

Allowed ORP Provider Types and Specialties

Provider Type 020 - Physicians (Allopathic and Osteopathic)

- Specialty/Taxonomy Codes - all

Provider Type 036 - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (FNP, NP-C, CNS, CNM, CRNA)

- Specialty/Taxonomy Codes – all

Provider Type 010 – Behavioral Health & Social Services Providers

- Behavioral Health Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - Behavioral Analyst (BA)
 - 567 - 103K00000X
 - Behavior Modification Specialist (BMS)
 - 488 - 174400000X
 - Licensed Addiction Counselors (LAC)
 - 155 - 101YA0400X
 - Licensed Associate Professional Counselors (LAPC)
 - 177 - 101YP2500X
 - Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)
 - 191 - 1041C0700X
 - Licensed Master Social Workers (LMSW)
 - 445 - 104100000X
 - Licensed Baccalaureate Social Worker (LBSW)
 - 625 - 104100000X
 - Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC)
 - 190 - 101YP2500X
 - Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)
 - 194 - 101YP2500X
 - Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT)
 - 403 - 106H00000X
 - Psychologist

▪ 050 - 103T00000X	▪ 523 - 103TC2200X	▪ 543 - 103TC0700X
▪ 669 - 103TA0400X	▪ 670 - 103TA0700X	▪ 671 - 103TB0200X
▪ 672 - 103TC1900X	▪ 674 - 103TF0000X	▪ 675 - 103TF0200X
▪ 676 - 103TP2701X	▪ 677 - 103TH0004X	▪ 678 - 103TH0100X

- 679 - 103TM1800X ▪ 681 - 103TR0400X ▪ 682 - 103TS0200X
- 074 - 103G00000X

DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES, LABS, AND IMAGING

- Audiologic Function Tests
- Diagnostic and Screening Laboratory Services
- Diagnostic and Screening Radiology and Imaging Services
- Echocardiograms
- Electrocardiograms
- Electronic Analysis or Interrogation of implanted devices
- Neurodiagnostic Services (EEG, VEP, EMG, Polysomnography)
- Pulmonary Function Studies / Testing
- Psychological and Neuro-psychological Testing

Allowed ORP Provider Types and Specialties

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- Specialty/Taxonomy Codes – all

Provider Type 036 - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (FNP, NP-C, CNS, CNM, CRNA)

- Specialty/Taxonomy Codes – all

Provider Type 010 – Behavioral Health & Social Services Providers

- Psychologist Specialty/Taxonomy Codes
 - 050 - 103T00000X ○ 523 - 103TC2200X ○ 543 - 103TC0700X
 - 669 - 103TA0400X ○ 670 - 103TA0700X ○ 671 - 103TB0200X
 - 672 - 103TC1900X ○ 674 - 103TF0000X ○ 675 - 103TF0200X
 - 676 - 103TP2701X ○ 677 - 103TH0004X ○ 678 - 103TH0100X
 - 679 - 103TM1800X ○ 681 - 103TR0400X ○ 682 - 103TS0200X

Provider Type 011 – Chiropractic Providers

- Chiropractic Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 047 - 111N00000X ○ 689 - 111NX0800X ○ 690 - 111NP0017X
 - 692 - 111NR0400X ○ 064 - 1223X0400X ○ 065 - 1223P0300X
 - 066 - 1223P0700X ○ 212 - 1223S0112X ○ 515 - 1223X0400X

Provider Type 013 – Dietary & Nutritional Service Providers

- Licensed Registered Dietitians (labs only)
 - 056 - 133V00000X

Provider Type 021 – Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Providers

- Podiatrist Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 120 - 213E00000X ○ 903 - 213EP1101X ○ 933 - 2251E1300X
 - 504 - 213ES0131X ○ 541 - 213ES0103X

Provider Type 022 - Physical Therapists – musculoskeletal plain films only

- Physical Therapy Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 123 - 225100000X ○ 932 - 2251C2600X ○ 933 - 2251E1300X
 - 934 - 2251E1300X ○ 935 - 2251G0304X ○ 936 - 2251G0304X
 - 937 - 2251H1300X ○ 938 - 2251N0400X ○ 939 - 2251X0800X
 - 940 - 2251P0200X ○ 941 - 2251S0007X

Provider Type 012 – Dental Providers

- Dental Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 001 - 1223G0001X ○ 019 - 122300000X ○ 062 - 1223E0200X
 - 063 - 1223P0221X ○ 064 - 1223X0400X ○ 065 - 1223P0300X
 - 066 - 1223P0700X ○ 212 - 1223S0112X ○ 515 - 1223X0400X

DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT (DME), SUPPLIES AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

- Prescription drugs
- Durable Medical Equipment
- Eyeglass frames, lenses, and contacts
- Hearing Aids
- Prosthetics
- Supplies

Allowed ORP Types and Specialties

Provider Type 020[#] - Physicians (Allopathic and Osteopathic)

- Specialty/Taxonomy Codes – all

Provider type 036[#] - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

- Specialty/Taxonomy Codes – all

Provider Type 021 – Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Providers

- Podiatrist Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 120 - 213E00000X ○ 903 - 213EP1101X ○ 933 - 2251E1300X
 - 504 - 213ES0131X ○ 541 - 213ES0103X

Provider Type 022 – Respiratory, Developmental, Rehabilitative Service Providers

- Occupational Therapy Specialty and Taxonomy Codes

- 126 - 225X00000X
- 916 - 225XE0001X
- 919 - 225XH1200X
- 922 - 225XM0800X
- 925 - 225XP0019X
- 216 - 225XE1200X
- 917 - 225XF0002X
- 920 - 225XH1300X
- 923 - 225XN1300X
- 915 - 225XR0403X
- 918 - 225XG0600X
- 921 - 225XL0004X
- 924 - 225XP0200X

- Physical Therapy Specialty and Taxonomy Codes

- 123 - 225100000X
- 934 - 2251E1300X
- 937 - 2251H1300X
- 940 - 2251P0200X
- 932 - 2251C2600X
- 935 - 2251G0304X
- 938 - 2251N0400X
- 941 - 2251S0007X
- 933 - 2251E1300X
- 936 - 2251G0304X
- 939 - 2251X0800X

Provider Type 015[#] - Eye and Vision Service Providers

- Optometrist Specialty and Taxonomy Codes

- 088 - 152W00000X
- 707 - 152WX0102X
- 937 - 2251H1300X
- 940 - 2251P0200X
- 617 - 152WC0802X
- 708 - 152WP0200X
- 938 - 2251N0400X
- 941 - 2251S0007X
- 706 - 152WL0500X
- 709 - 2251G0304X
- 939 - 2251X0800X

Provider Type 023[√] - Language and Hearing Service Providers

- Audiologist

- 087 - 231H00000X

[#] only provider types that can order prescription drugs

[√] only provider type that can order hearing aids

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

- Evaluations
- Treatment and Modalities

Allowed ORP Provider Types and Specialties

Provider Type 020 - Physicians (Allopathic and Osteopathic)

- Specialty and Taxonomy – all

Provider type 036 - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

- Specialty and Taxonomy – all

PHYSICAL THERAPY

- Evaluations
- Treatment and Modalities

Allowed ORP Provider Types and Specialties

Provider Type 020 - Physicians (Allopathic and Osteopathic)

- Specialty and Taxonomy – all

Provider Type 021 – Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Providers

- Podiatrist Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 120 - 213E00000X ○ 903 - 213EP1101X ○ 933 - 2251E1300X
 - 504 - 213ES0131X ○ 541 - 213ES0103X

Provider type 036 - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

- Specialties – all

PREVENTIVE SERVICES

- Immunizations
- Preventive Evaluation and Management Services
 - Well-Child visits
 - Adult preventive exams
- Counseling for Risk Factor Reduction
 - Tobacco Cessation

Allowed ORP Provider Types and Specialties

Provider Type 020 - Physicians (Allopathic and Osteopathic)

- Specialty and Taxonomy – all

Provider Type 036 - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

- Specialty and Taxonomy – all

Provider Type 018 – Pharmacy Service Providers

- Pharmacist Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 253 - 183500000X ○ 658 - 1835P2201X ○ 791 - 1835G0303X
 - 792 - 1835N0905X ○ 793 - 1835N1003X ○ 794 - 1835X0200X
 - 796 - 1835P1200X ○ 797 - 1835P1300X

Local public health units may list their medical director or the provider who oversees their standing orders on the claim. ORP providers must be enrolled with ND Medicaid.

SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES

- Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Services
 - Occupational Therapy
 - Private Duty Nursing
 - Physical Therapy

- Speech Therapy

For school-based Individualized Education Program (IEP) services, while a student's IEP may serve as the prescription or referral, an enrolled provider with the authority to order the specified services must be identified as the ordering/referring provider (ORP) using their NPI on the claims submitted to Medicaid for those services consistent with [42 CFR § 455.410](#) and [455.440](#). The enrolled provider may be a member of the student's IEP team.

Allowed ORP Provider Types and Specialties

Provider Type 020 - Physicians (Allopathic and Osteopathic)

- Specialty and Taxonomy – all

Provider Type 036 - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

- Specialties – all

Provider Type 022 – Respiratory, Developmental, Rehabilitative Service Providers

- Occupational Therapy Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 126 - 225X00000X ○ 216 - 225XE1200X ○ 915 - 225XR0403X
 - 916 - 225XE0001X ○ 917 - 225XF0002X ○ 918 - 225XG0600X
 - 919 - 225XH1200X ○ 920 - 225XH1300X ○ 921 - 225XL0004X
 - 922 - 225XM0800X ○ 923 - 225XN1300X ○ 924 - 225XP0200X
 - 925 - 225XP0019X
- Physical Therapy Specialty and Taxonomy Codes
 - 123 - 225I00000X ○ 932 - 2251C2600X ○ 933 - 2251E1300X
 - 934 - 2251E1300X ○ 935 - 2251G0304X ○ 936 - 2251G0304X
 - 937 - 2251H1300X ○ 938 - 2251N0400X ○ 939 - 2251X0800X
 - 940 - 2251P0200X ○ 941 - 2251S0007X

Provider Type 023 – Language and Hearing Service Providers

- Audiologist
 - 087 - 231H00000X
- Speech Language Pathologist
 - 272 - 235Z00000X

SPEECH THERAPY

- Evaluations
- Treatment and Modalities

Allowed ORP Provider Types and Specialties

Provider Type 020 - Physicians (Allopathic and Osteopathic)

- Specialty and Taxonomy – all

Provider type 036 - Physician Assistants (PA) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

- Specialties – all

Provider Type 012 – Dental Providers

- Dental Specialty and Taxonomy Codes (*based on the scope of practice extending to the whole oral cavity - swallowing difficulties/disorders*)
 - 001 - 1223G0001X ○ 019 - 122300000X ○ 062 - 1223E0200X
 - 063 - 1223P0221X ○ 064 - 1223X0400X ○ 065 - 1223P0300X
 - 066 - 1223P0700X ○ 212 - 1223S0112X ○ 515 - 1223X0400X

REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGY AND CLAIM INSTRUCTIONS

TIMELY FILING

ND Medicaid must receive an original Medicaid primary claim within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of service. The time limit may be waived or extended by ND Medicaid in certain circumstances. The [Timely Filing Policy](#) contains additional information.

THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY

Medicaid members may have one or more additional source of coverage for health services. ND Medicaid is generally the payer of last resort. Providers must pursue the availability of third-party payment sources. The [Third Party Liability Policy](#) contains additional information.

CLIENT SHARE (RECIPIENT LIABILITY)

Client share (recipient liability) is the monthly amount a member must pay toward the cost of medical services before the Medicaid program will pay for services received. The [Client Share Policy](#) contains additional information.

REIMBURSEMENT

A claim for services must be submitted at the provider's usual and customary charge. Payment for services is limited to the lesser of the provider's usual and customary charge or the ND Medicaid calculated reimbursement. ORP provider information must be submitted at the claim line level.

Electronic claims: Reference the table below and the [Companion Guide](#). (ND Companion Guide 837P – Health Care Claim: Professional).

Loop ID	Reference	Name	Codes	Notes
2420E	NM1	Ordering Provider Name		This loop and segment are required for the services listed above.
2420E	NM109	Identification Code		Enter the Ordering Provider's NPI
2420E	REF	Ordering Provider Secondary Identification		This loop and segment is highly recommended to include if the ND Medicaid ID is available.
2420E	REF01	Reference Identification Qualifier	G2	
2420E	REF02	Reference Identification		Enter Ordering Provider's ND Medicaid ID
2420F	NM1	Referring Provider Name		This loop and segment are required for the services listed above.
2420F	NM101	Entity Identifier Code	DN	
2420F	NM109	Identification Code		Enter the Referring Provider's NPI
2420F	REF	Ordering Provider Secondary Identification		This loop and segment is highly recommended to include if the ND Medicaid ID is available.
2420F	REF01	Reference Identification Qualifier	G2	
2420F	REF02	Reference Identification		Enter Referring Provider's ND Medicaid ID

Web portal claims: Instructions for submitting claims that include an ORP provider are on page 15 of ND [MMIS Web Portal Professional Claim Form Submission Instructions](#).

Paper claims: Box 17 is the name of the ORP provider; 17b is the NPI of the ORP provider. A qualifier is required in box 17 to identify if the provider is the referring or ordering. Qualifier DN is used for referring; DK is used for ordering.

REFERENCES

- [North Dakota Administrative Code](#)
- [North Dakota Century Code](#)
- [Code of Federal Regulations](#)

RELATED POLICIES

[Provider Enrollment](#)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Q: How do I know if a CPT® or HCPCS code requires an ORP?
- A: Code specific ORP requirements can be found on the [Procedure Code Look-up Tool](#).
- Q: What steps should ORP providers take if they are not yet enrolled with ND Medicaid?
- A: Provider enrollment information and forms are located at <https://www.hhs.nd.gov/healthcare/medicaid/provider/enrollment-information>. If you need assistance with provider enrollment, reach out to NDMedicaidEnrollment@noridian.com or (701) 277-6999.
- Q: Can a provider be listed as the ORP provider when they are also listed as the rendering provider?
- A: Yes, in some situations. If the rendering provider is also the ORP provider, they must be listed in both places on the claim. In all cases, providers must follow the scope of practice for their licensure and only provide allowable orders, referrals, or prescriptions.
- Example: pediatrician is listed as both the ORP and rendering provider for a well-child visit.
 - Example: Clinic-based providers ordering labs or x-rays where the technical portion of the x-ray or lab will be billed under the ORP provider's NPI.
 - Example: Psychological testing if the diagnostic interview determined that testing is needed.

CONTACT

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POLICY UPDATES

May 2025

Section	Summary
Covered Services and Limits	Added Procedure Code Look Up Tool
Covered Services and Limits	Provider types and taxonomy codes added
	Format changes and clarifications added throughout.

July 2025

Section	Summary
Diagnostic services, labs, and imaging	Added Licensed Registered Dietitians as valid ORPs for lab services.