

# Pharmacy Provider Annual Self-Attestation Process

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has implemented a new fee-for-service reimbursement methodology for covered outpatient drugs. Part of this new methodology is a two-tiered professional dispensing fee based on a pharmacy provider's total (Medi-Cal and non-Medi-Cal) annual pharmacy claim volume (\$13.20 if less than 90,000 claims per year; \$10.05 if 90,000 or more). Reporting the claim volume is an annual self-attestation process that runs from January 15 to the end of February each year, which must be completed electronically.

**Note:** DHCS policy is that a claim is equivalent to a dispensed prescription; therefore, the attestation is for the total dispensed prescription volume.

**Newly approved fee-for-service pharmacy providers that are notified of their enrollment approval after the annual attestation period closes will receive the higher dispensing fee. However, those same providers will have to attest for subsequent reporting periods in order to continue to be eligible for the higher dispensing fee in subsequent fiscal years.**

## **Where can you find additional information regarding the Pharmacy Reimbursement Project?**

For additional information regarding the Pharmacy Reimbursement project, providers can visit the website at <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/pharmacy/Pages/PharmSurvey.aspx>, or refer to the Pharmacy Provider Self-Attestation FAQs at [www.medi-cal.ca.gov](http://www.medi-cal.ca.gov). For inquiries not covered in these additional resources, providers may call the TSC at 1-800-541-5555, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Providers may also write directly to the Correspondence Specialist Unit or request assistance from their Regional Field Rep.

## **Where can you find more help regarding dispensing fees and/or reimbursements?**

The Provider Relations Organization (PRO) is the primary liaison between the provider community and the Medi-Cal program. PRO provides billing and training assistance to providers.

For more information regarding the Provider Relations Organization, refer to the Part 1 Medi-Cal Provider Manual *Provider Relations Directory* (**prov rel**) on pages 8 and 9, at [www.medi-cal.ca.gov](http://www.medi-cal.ca.gov).