



VACCINE COVERAGE CHANGE NOTICE

Please show this notice to your doctor

Thank you for allowing RxAmerica to provide your Medicare prescription drug coverage in 2008. This letter will help both you and your doctor understand Medicare's changes in vaccine coverage next year. We ask that you bring this notice to your doctor so that you will be able to receive vaccines through your Medicare benefits in 2008.

Medicare has changed the way vaccines are covered in 2008. In the past, you would go to your doctor to receive a vaccine and it was paid for by your Medicare Part B insurance. Now Medicare has instructed that all vaccines* should be billed through your Medicare Part D coverage and administered by a pharmacist or a state-approved health care professional. However, you live in a state that does not permit pharmacists to give vaccinations. You will be required to follow different guidelines.

Medicare recommends:

1. You obtain a prescription from your doctor for the vaccine that you are going to receive and take it to the pharmacy to obtain the vaccine.
2. The pharmacy will fill the prescription and you will pay the pharmacy your normal co-pay.
3. You will need to return to your doctor's office with the vaccine so they can give you the vaccination.
4. You must pay for the cost of your doctor giving you the vaccination. The doctor should not charge you more than the rate determined by Medicare called a CPT Code.
5. Send your receipt to RxAmerica for reimbursement of the amount that you paid your doctor for giving you the vaccination. RxAmerica will only reimburse you the amount determined by Medicare (CPT Code). Therefore it is important that your doctor documents the correct CPT code. The price range depends on the type of vaccination you receive, but generally is \$8.00 to \$19.00.

We realize that this is a big change to your Medicare benefits for 2008 and this process can be confusing. Please refer to page 25 of your Evidence of Coverage for additional details. To submit a receipt for reimbursement, refer to page 13 of your Evidence of Coverage for instructions on submitting a Direct Member Reimbursement form. Please call RxAmerica's customer service center at 1-800-429-6686 if you have further questions. We will be able to help you find the lowest cost option for you to receive your vaccinations.

Thank you again for choosing RxAmerica. We look forward to serving you in the coming year.

*Flu shots, Pneumococcal, and Hepatitis B for medium and high-risk individuals will still be covered under your Medicare Part B insurance. Vaccines administered because of direct injury or illness (ex. Tetanus or Rabies) are also covered by your Medicare Part B insurance.