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Claims Now Accepted for NBPDP Benefits Prescribed by NB Pharmacists

The Regulations of the *Prescription Drug Payment Act* have been amended adding pharmacist to the definition of prescriber.

NBPDP will now reimburse claims prescribed by New Brunswick pharmacists subject to the drug being a benefit listed on the NBPDP Formulary.

NBPDP recognizes all prescribing authorities extended under Section 19.01 of the Regulations to the *Pharmacy Act*.

Procedure for Submitting Claims

For the purpose of claims payment all claims submitted to NBPDP which have been prescribed by a New Brunswick Pharmacist must contain the license number of the prescribing pharmacist as issued by the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society preceded by a prefix of **8000**. Example: NB Pharmacist license number 2325 should be entered as 80002325 in the "Prescriber ID" field of your pharmacy vendor software.

The pharmacist directory can be accessed under the Consumer Info tab of the NBPhS homepage:

<http://www.nbpharmacists.ca/ConsumerInfo/PharmacistDirectory/tabid/472/language/en-CA/default.aspx>

It is also recommended to insert the two digit Prescriber ID Reference number in the assigned field as this will soon become mandatory. In New Brunswick, the prescriber ID reference numbers are:

College of Physicians and Surgeons of NB	(41)
NB Dental Society	(45)
NB Pharmaceutical Society	(46)
NB Association of Optometrists	(47)
Nurses Association of NB	(48)

If you have any questions, please contact our office at 1-800-332-3691.