



**Effective Date:** 1/1/24

**Impacted Plans:** Medicaid, HIV SNP, HARP, CHP, MAP, QHP, Gold, GoldCare, & EP

Dear MetroPlusHealth Provider:

**Effective January 1, 2024**, Governor Kathy Hochul authorized New York State pharmacists to dispense three types of self-administered hormonal contraception medication without a prescription. These self-administered hormonal contraception medications are approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration to prevent pregnancy and include the following:

- Oral hormonal pill
- Hormonal vaginal ring
- Hormonal contraceptive patch

New York State pharmacists who choose to participate can dispense up to 12 months of a self-administered hormonal contraception at one time pursuant to a non-patient specific order (i.e., a standing order) written by the Commissioner of Health (COH), a physician-licensed, or a nurse practitioner (NP) certified in NYS.

MetroPlusHealth Medicaid, Partnership In Care, and Enhanced (HARP) plan members receive drug benefits through [NYRx](#), the Medicaid Pharmacy Program. Pharmacy providers click [here](#) for NYRx billing guidance.

For MetroPlusHealth Child Health Plus, UltraCare, QHP, Gold, GoldCare, & Essential Plans: Pharmacies can bill for the evaluation and management (E&M) associated with the dispensing of self-administered hormonal contraception, pharmacy providers must submit claims to MetroPlusHealth medical benefit via the HCPCS codes listed below:

HCPCS Code	Value
99605*	Medication therapy management service(s) provided by a pharmacist, individual, face-to-face with patient, with assessment and intervention if provided; 15 minutes, new patient.
99606**	Medication therapy management service(s) provided by a pharmacist, individual, face-to-face with patient, with assessment and intervention if provided; 15 minutes, established patient.

**All other MetroPlusHealth plan members: to find a participating pharmacist, locate and contact your local in-network pharmacy [here](#).**

If you have any questions regarding this memo, please contact MetroPlusHealth at: [ProviderRelationsOps@metroplus.org](mailto:ProviderRelationsOps@metroplus.org).

Thank you.

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