

Vaccine Coverage at Network Pharmacies

Beginning October 1, 2014, Empire Plan-primary enrollees* and dependents may receive select preventive vaccines without copayment when administered by a licensed pharmacist** at a pharmacy that participates in CVS Caremark's national vaccine network. This benefit does not apply to groups that have not settled their contracts with the State as of September 1, 2014.

Preventive Vaccines Covered:

- Influenza – flu
- Pneumococcal – pneumonia
- Herpes Zoster – shingles
- Meningococcal – meningitis

The Herpes Zoster vaccine is covered without copayment for individuals age 60 and older. It is also available to enrollees between the ages of 55-59, subject to the Level 1 30-day supply copay, currently \$5. To receive the Herpes Zoster vaccine, a prescription is required.

A list of pharmacies that participate in the vaccination program will be available beginning October 1, 2014 at EmpirePlanRxProgram.com. See reverse side for instructions.

Note: Consult with your health care provider to determine which services are most appropriate for you. Be sure to contact your pharmacy to confirm that they participate in the vaccine network and the availability of vaccine(s). If you have questions, please call The Empire Plan at 1-877-769-7447 (1-877-7-NYSHIP) and select 4 for the Prescription Drug Program.

* If you are a Medicare-primary enrollee, you already receive this benefit.

** New York State restricts pharmacists from administering vaccines to anyone younger than 18. Regulations regarding age limits may differ by state.

