

Submitting claims for prescriptions from Physicians Assistants

Physician Assistants (PAs) are regulated by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta (CPSA) and practice medicine under a doctor's supervision in clinical settings. PAs have the authorization to prescribe most medications; however, they cannot prescribe controlled substances or narcotics.

When a PA prescribes, the supervising physician must be identified on the prescription, but the supervising physician does not need to sign the prescription and the prescription should be submitted using the PA's name and prescriber number. As a reminder, prescriber IDs can be found on the ACP website at <https://abpharmacy.ca/physicians-surgeons>.

Claim details:

- Reference code: 81.
- Prescriber ID: actual ID or 99111PH in circumstances where the actual ID cannot be obtained.

For more information on prescriptions from PAs, please see the information provided by the Alberta College of Pharmacy at <https://abpharmacy.ca/articles/physician-assistants-able-prescribe>

For assistance with benefit or claim inquiries, please contact an Alberta Blue Cross Pharmacy Services Provider Relations contact centre representative at

780-498-8370 (Edmonton and area)

403-294-4041 (Calgary and area)

1-800-361-9632 (toll free)

FAX 780-498-8406 (Edmonton and area)

FAX 1-877-305-9911 (toll free)

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