



## E-Prescribing (Electronic Prescribing)

CBH supports E-Prescribing as a tool to promote safe and efficient prescribing for our members. As indicated by the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS), E-Prescribing allows prescribers to send accurate, error-free, and understandable prescriptions directly to a pharmacy; it is an important element in improving the quality of member care and reducing medication errors.<sup>1</sup>

Additional benefits may include:

- **Automated clinical decision making**  
E-Prescribing prompts prescribers to completely fill out the dose, route, strength, and frequency.
- **Increased efficiency in medication reconciliation process through notification of allergies, drug interactions, duplicate therapies, and other clinical alerts**  
Physicians can obtain information regarding an individual's documented allergies and previously and currently prescribed drugs; they will receive clinical alerts if a newly prescribed drug has potential for negative reactions or interactions.
- **Tracks individual fulfillment of prescriptions**  
Unlike handwritten prescriptions, E-Prescribing allows physicians to verify whether individuals fill prescriptions.
- **Reduces the number of lost prescriptions**  
E-Prescribing eliminates the possibility for lost paper prescriptions.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/E-Health/Eprescribing/index.html>