



Meet NDC Billing Requirements for Outpatient Claims with IntelliDOT BMA™

The IntelliDOT System

- Easy to use, lightweight handheld device – learn in just one shift
- 12+ hour battery life
- Scans all 1D and 2D barcodes
- RFID and Bluetooth functionality
- Rugged, dependable and designed for the harsh healthcare environment
- Communicates with any HIS or pharmacy system
- Configurable to specialized workflows
- Seamless documentation from just one handheld device
- Fast turnkey implementation
 - HIPAA compliant
 - Helps hospitals comply with JCAHO standards



After June 30, 2008 (April 1, 2009 in California), all Medicaid claims submitted to the Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) for medications administered in outpatient settings must include the National Drug Code (NDC) from the medication given. This enables state Medicaid agencies to obtain rebates from manufacturers that have signed agreements with CMS. Hospitals that do not comply with this ruling stand to lose a significant amount of money per year in lost reimbursements.

Fortunately, one company has a new solution that can capture the NDC number from the actual medication administered and integrate it into your billing system. The solution is cost effective and can be implemented in just weeks using IntelliDOT's Bedside Medication Administration™ (IntelliDOT BMA™).

The IntelliDOT System is a best-of-breed wireless, workflow manager that connects caregivers with the information systems they need at the point-of-care. Designed by nurses for nurses, this industry leading barcode point-of-care (BPOC) system enables clinicians to perform safety checks, safely administer and document medications, as well as transmit billing information using a lightweight, handheld scanning device – for both hospital inpatient and outpatient settings.

How It Works

Because of fluctuations in GPO (Group Purchasing Organization) contracts or availability, hospitals will often stock multiple brands of the same formulary line item. While this makes financial and practical sense, multiple brands cause problems for NDC billing since the medication actually administered could be one of several brands. By implementing IntelliDOT BMA in outpatient areas such as the ER, hospitals can achieve 100 percent NDC billing compliance for most medications.

To implement the IntelliDOT solution, each outpatient must be issued a wristband with a unique identifying barcode. Additionally, all drugs administered must have a brand-specific barcode. Each medication's barcode and corresponding NDC are stored in the IntelliDOT System drug master file database. Before administering the medication, the nurse simply scans the patient's wristband with one of IntelliDOT's wireless handheld devices and then scans the medication.

When the IntelliDOT handheld scans the medication barcode, the system identifies the exact brand and corresponding NDC number of the medication being administered. The information is then sent to the hospital's pharmacy information system or billing system using an HL7 DFT billing message.



About IntelliDOT

IntelliDOT is a leading provider of wireless, handheld, barcode point-of-care solutions that connect to any healthcare information system to improve patient safety and nurse workflow. When using the IntelliDOT system, nurses can easily manage all tasks associated with five rights medication administration safety checks and related documentation. Additional system modules that run on the same handheld device include: IntelliDOT Phlebotomy Specimen Collection™, IntelliDOT Blood Product Administration™, IntelliDOT Mother-Baby Breast Milk Matching™, and IntelliDOT Vital Signs Collection™. More information can be found at www.intellidotcorp.com.

The IntelliDOT System satisfies Joint Commission standards for patient identification and assures accuracy by verifying the five rights of medication administration: right medication, right dose, right route, right patient, and right time for profiled medications as well as ensuring follow-up documentation, such as pain scale, is accurately collected and recorded at required times.

Keeping NDCs Updated with Easy Check

IntelliDOT's Easy Check™ feature routinely and automatically updates the system's Medi-Span clinical database, notifies the pharmacist when the update occurs, checks the formulary for potential items with invalid NDCs, and identifies those items in a report for the pharmacist. Lookup of a current, valid NDC is built into the IntelliDOT System manager application making it easy and fast for pharmacists to maintain current NDCs. The bottom line: pharmacists can work more efficiently and effectively with Easy Check.

Set Up and Running within Weeks

IntelliDOT is not some promised solution for the future. It is available today and field-proven at hospitals throughout the U.S. And compared to other BPOC systems, it is quite unique. First, it is significantly more cost effective; IntelliDOT BMA typically delivers a full return on investment within the first year. Second, it is quick and easy to implement – typically in just weeks from kickoff. And once it is running, nurses will use it. The system is so easy to learn and use that nurse compliance is typically more than 95 percent.

For More Information

Your hospital can comply with NDC billing requirements for outpatient claims within weeks. All you need is IntelliDOT BMA™. To learn more, visit www.intellidotcorp.com or e-mail information@intellidotcorp.com.

