

Countdown to January 2!

Pharmacist Prescribing of Birth Control is Less than 1 Month Away

Pharmacist prescribing is sure to become known as one of the most significant changes to the practice of pharmacy not just in Oregon, but nationwide. I have said many times and will say again—the developments in our state over the past few months speak volumes about the kind of professionals we have practicing pharmacy in the State of Oregon. This is a tremendous achievement and the efforts of many to help make this happen are nothing short of monumental. Pharmacist in Oregon should be proud of the professional leadership being shown in our state!

A few things to keep in mind if you want to be a pharmacist prescriber:

- **You need to do the training!** It can be accessed by going to the Board of Pharmacy website here: <http://www.oregon.gov/pharmacy/Pages/ContraceptivePrescribing.aspx>
Or direct link here: <https://pace.oregonstate.edu/catalog/comprehensive-contraceptive-education-and-training-prescribing-pharmacist>
- **You must update the taxonomy on your NPI.** We have just gotten the final word on how to do that. Follow the instruction in the [NPI-taxonomy document](#) for details on adding the following taxonomy: 1835P0018X Pharmacist Clinician (PhC)/ Clinical Pharmacy Specialist
- **Check with your employer** for specifics about how your practice site might implement workflows, bill for the service, etc. There are many details about this service that will be specific to your company or location.

If you're not already a member of the association, I hope you'll consider joining. The association exists to promote and protect pharmacy in Oregon, and the efforts around this issue are a prime example of what the association does. We need your support as a member to keep up efforts like this one. You can join online by [clicking here](#).

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