

Dear Payers and Providers,

Linking the eRxRequest Activities within the PriorRequest and ClaimSubmission

In reference to the circular shared on 12th April, 2018 [Enforcement of the eRx Cycle, eRx Reference Number & Pharmacist Edit Restrictions](#), please find below a clarification on how to capture the eRx reference number in the PriorRequest and ClaimSubmission transactions on eClaimLink:

1. The observation type “eRx” must be used by the Provider in both PriorRequest and ClaimSubmission to capture the eRxReference and the eRxActivityID as per the format below. (For the full observations document: eClaimLink > DHD > Documentation > [eClaimLink EDSC Release V5 2014-04-20](#))

Observation Type	Code	Value	ValueType	Description	XML format
eRx	eRxReference	eRxActivityID	Reference	Reference to connect the prescription to a given PriorRequest or ClaimSubmission transaction. - eRxReference is generated from the DHPO\ eRx Hub. - eRxActivityID is generated from the Clinician at the time of issuing the prescription.	<Observation> <Type>ERX</Type> <Code>eRxReference ID</Code> <Value>eRxActivityID</Value> <ValueType>Reference</ValueType> </Observation>

2. The eRxRequest xml, originating from the physician will contain the original eRxActivityID which will help to link each activity in the eRxRequest to the one in the PriorRequest based on the saved observation “value” field above.
3. The eRxReference for the eRxRequest is not available in the eRxRequest xml because it is generated by the DHPO after the eRxRequest is validated and posted on the eRxHub.
4. The eRxReference number captured from the observation section in the PriorRequest or ClaimSubmission can be used as an input in the web service methods: **GeteRxTransaction** and **SearchTransactions**. Both methods yield the eRxRequest transaction that is linked to the eRxReference. (Please refer to the full document technical document on eClaimLink > DHD > Documentation > [eRx Technical Specifications V3 2017-07-04](#))

Provider Responsibility

Pharmacies who are using their own systems integrated with the DHPO must ensure that their system is configured to include the eRxReference and eRxActivityID values in the “eRx” Observation section for each drug activity in their PriorRequest and ClaimSubmission transactions.