

# FDB Vela™ ePrescribing Network

## Enabling pharmacies to innovate fulfillment and tap into new prescription sources

FDB Vela™ is a cloud-native electronic prescribing network that enables the seamless flow of critical medication prescription information, benefits verification, and clinical decision support between pharmacies, prescribers, and payers.

With FDB Vela, pharmacies of all types can now easily connect to a new non-exclusive ePrescribing network to exchange prescription-related transactions more efficiently and cost-effectively. Pharmacies can launch new activities to extend streamlined electronic prescription fulfillment to customers requiring specialty medications and to those filling prescriptions for pets. Pharmacies can also enjoy new revenue streams from these activities while creating a better experience for all customers. FDB Vela makes it possible for pharmacists to access prescription, authorization, and drug cost data in real time so they can accelerate their workflows and have more fully informed discussions with customers. In addition, pharmacies can gain greater control over ePrescribing expenses.

### Current Marketplace Exclusions and Limited Data Offer Opportunity

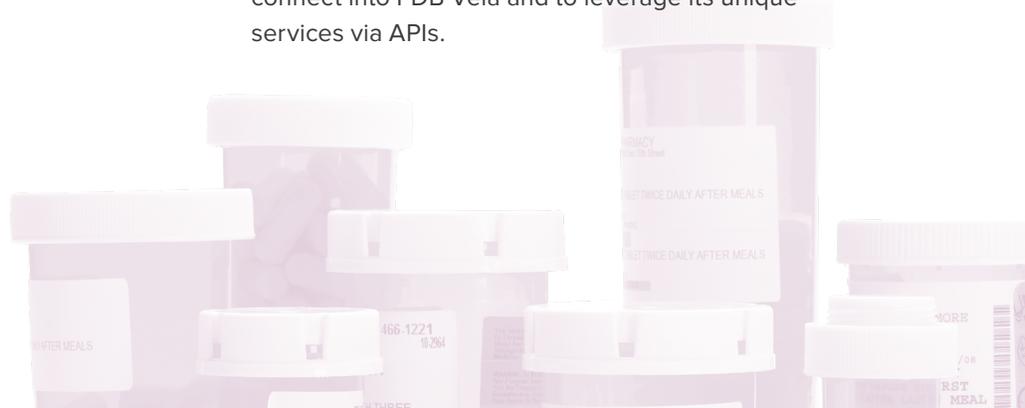
Electronic prescribing today is primarily facilitated by a single network. This often stifles pharmacies seeking to innovate their workflows to increase pharmacist productivity, to provide fast, accurate and safe fulfillment of prescriptions to more customers, or to reduce fulfillment costs.

Not all types of prescriptions are routed via the current ePrescribing network. The process for filling specialty medication prescriptions is conducted via phone and fax, leaving patients waiting an average of 24 days for treatments. Electronic routing is also not available for veterinary medications.

### A New ePrescribing Network Takes Flight

FDB Vela offers pharmacies a network choice that allows them to engage in a full set of ePrescribing transactions established and maintained by the National Council for Prescription Drug Programs (NCPDP) while freely driving change. FDB Vela makes it easier for pharmacies to streamline prescription fulfillment and do business with the network by:

- **Empowering participation.** The FDB Vela ecosystem is open to all pharmacies: retail, clinic-based, mail-order, community or specialty pharmacies. Onboarding and implementation for FDB Vela are based on established industry standards, which makes these processes turnkey for many participants. FDB has created simple ways to connect into FDB Vela and to leverage its unique services via APIs.



## A New ePrescribing Network Takes Flight *(continued)*

◦ **Fostering Innovation.** FDB Vela's flexible, cloud-native architecture and an accommodating, collaborative business model permits pharmacies to introduce their own aspirational ideas for ePrescribing without barriers. Using advanced APIs, pharmacies can integrate functionalities that will supply more relevant data to pharmacists within the workflow and implement ePrescribing for previously excluded medications:

- **Electronic Routing for Specialty Drugs** FDB Vela—in partnership with RxLightning, a leading innovator in specialty prescription processing—automates the enrollment process for specialty medications. This helps pharmacies drastically reduce fulfillment wait times.
- **Electronic Routing for Veterinary Drugs** FDB Vela connects participating pharmacies with veterinary practices through veterinary practice information systems (PIMs). This opens a new market for many pharmacies to dispense medications for both humans and pets and eases fulfillment of pet prescriptions for pharmacy customers.
- **Option to Add Customer Engagement Tools from FDB** Pharmacies using FDB Vela can also contract separately for FDB's Medication® solution, which supplies simplified medication instructions for patients across dozens of languages. This helps pharmacies better counsel customers and improves medication adherence.

◦ **Offering Greater Control Over Costs.** Pharmacies cite network agreements that offer little flexibility regarding transaction rates and prices as a challenge. With FDB Vela, pharmacies can now negotiate for transaction services on a non-exclusive basis, giving them greater control over prescription processing costs. By facilitating a full set of NCPDP-specified and evolving specialty transactions on a unified platform, FDB Vela provides pharmacies with workflow efficiencies that save time and money.

### About FDB

FDB (First Databank) creates and delivers the world's most powerful drug knowledge that ignites, inspires, and illuminates critical medication decisions. We collaborate with our partners to help improve patient safety, operational efficiency, and health outcomes.

### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

FDB Vela is built on a highly scalable platform hosted on Microsoft® Azure.

- API integration
- Supports all ePrescribing standards set by NCPDP and other pharmacy organizations
- Highly stable, secure environment
- Fully redundant
- 24/7 availability



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