



Medicaid Pharmacy News

Dear Providers:

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PEDIATRIC MULTIVITAMIN DAY SUPPLY

Pediatric multivitamin solution and chewable claims will now be allowed to process through the Point of Sale for up to a one hundred (100) day supply without an override from the GHS Pharmacy Help Desk. Please note that Wyoming Medicaid will still require that the prescription's day supply must equal the quantity of the drug dispensed divided by the daily dose prescribed. Failure to bill claim(s) with the correct day supply (according to the prescription quantity and directions), may lead to formal recovery, possible future audit proceedings, or suspension of payment.

NEUROPATHIC PAIN

Effective August 2013, the preferred drug list will include a new class specific to the diagnosis of neuropathic pain. The preferred agents for this class will be amitriptyline, imipramine, nortriptyline, and gabapentin. To receive a non-preferred agent (Cymbalta or Lyrica), a trial and failure of one of the tricyclic antidepressants greater than or equal to a 12 week supply AND a trial and failure of **gabapentin at a dose of 3600 mg/day** greater than or equal to a 12 week supply, all within the previous 12 months will be required.

PRENATAL VITAMIN SMACs (STATE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COSTS)

Effective July 1, 2013, Wyoming Medicaid will implement SMAC prices on **ALL** prenatal vitamins. The State Maximum Allowable Cost (SMAC) is the maximum allowable cost the State of Wyoming will pay for medications. The SMAC will be set at 0.175.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Invokana requires a ninety (90) day trial and failure of metformin prior to approval.
- Effective August 2013, the following anticonvulsants will be limited to the listed diagnoses:
 - Carbamazepine – Seizures and Bipolar/Mood disorders
 - Clonazepam – Seizures and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
 - Phenytoin - Seizures
 - Valproic Acid – Seizures and Bipolar/Mood disorders
- Amphetamine/D-amphetamine salts combo XR (generic Adderall XR) will be allowed for clients 3 years of age and older that also have the required diagnosis on file. Currently all other stimulants, except the amphetamine/d-amphetamine salts combo IR and XR, will require prior authorization for those clients under the age of five (5).

BIG CHANGES COMING FOR MEDICAID, KID CARE CHIP

For many years, the first step for Wyoming residents applying for Wyoming Medicaid services was to visit a local Department of Family Service (DFS) office. DFS representatives in 29 local offices decided who was eligible based on income and other factors, and managed their cases.

The Wyoming Department of Health (WDH) and DFS are moving eligibility determination and case management from local DFS offices to a centralized Cheyenne location within WDH.

Wyoming Medicaid expects the switch to lead to improved customer service, consistent training and policy application, improved coordination with other WDH entities, and enhanced accuracy and timeliness.

Some changes have already occurred. Over the past several months, eligibility work for Wyoming Medicaid's Long Term Care programs has been transferred to WDH. These programs include: Nursing Home, Inpatient Hospital, Long Term Care Waiver, Assisted Living Facility Waiver, Developmental Disabilities Waivers, Children's Mental Health Waiver, Acquired Brain Injury Waiver and the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).

October 1 will mark the next phase of the transfer. All remaining Wyoming Medicaid cases will be transitioned to the centralized location in Cheyenne.

Some things to know about the change:

- A new shared online web portal will be available for Wyoming Medicaid and Kid Care CHIP so individuals can submit applications and renewals, as well as change their cases online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- A new customer service center will be established to answer questions and take applications online, over the phone, by mail and in person for both Wyoming Medicaid and Kid Care CHIP.
- A new integrated Wyoming Medicaid and Kid Care CHIP eligibility system will allow real-time decisions for most applications

The new system will also be able to coordinate with the coming federally facilitated marketplace, which will also begin October 1, so applicants receive the best available option for their situation. The establishment of these marketplaces was included in the law known as the Affordable Care Act.

Stay tuned in the coming months for more information about the new system's name, how people will contact the customer service center and where to find the client web portal information.