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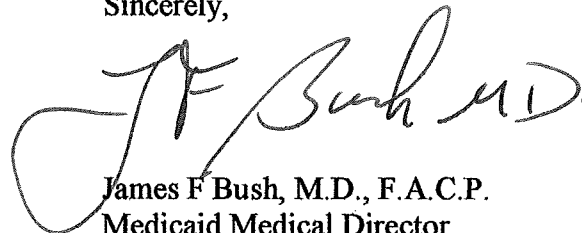
Dear EqualityCare Medical Provider:

On August 19, 2010 the Wyoming Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P&T) Committee voted to allow prior authorizations for Synagis beginning on November 1, 2010 for anticipation of the season starting on November 15, 2010. It has come to the Wyoming Department of Health's (WDH) attention that even though the WDH has not received any reports of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) in the state, several providers are planning on administering Synagis to their patients starting on or near November 15, 2010.

Please keep in mind the WDH will only approve five doses of therapy with Synagis per client per season. Therefore, if the RSV season has not begun in your area of the state, you may want to consider delaying the start of administration of Synagis to avoid exceeding the EqualityCare dosing limits. If the medication is needed later in the season but the patient has already received their five (5) doses of Synagis there is no guarantee additional doses will be approved.

If you have any questions about receiving prior authorization for Synagis, the criteria for approval or any other information regarding EqualityCare's coverage of Synagis through the Pharmacy Program, please contact the pharmacy claims vendor, GHS, at 1-877-207-1126. As always I commend your efforts in providing our EqualityCare patients with rapid, effective and appropriate care.

Sincerely,



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