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ALAN LEVINE, SECRETARY

Dear Medicaid Pharmacy Provider:

Beginning January 1, 2006, Florida Medicaid prescription drug coverage for dually eligibles will only include those drugs covered for the general Medicaid population that are excluded by federal statute under Medicare Part D. The specific list of drugs that will continue to be covered by Florida Medicaid is included below. The Medicaid point of sale (POS) system will bill Florida Medicaid for these drugs, when you verify Medicaid eligibility and submit the claim correctly.

When the beneficiary presents a prescription to the pharmacy, the claim should be submitted to the Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan. If the claim denies as "drug not covered" under Medicare Part D, and the drug is one of the drugs listed below, then the pharmacy may bill Medicaid via the POS System.

THERE ARE NO CO-PAYMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THESE CLAIMS.

Drugs Excluded by Medicare Part D but Covered by Florida Medicaid:

Over the Counter Products:

Iron preparations; Aspirin; Arthritis Strength Tylenol in select package sizes; Vaginal antifungals; Guaifenesin as single agent; Calcium products as phosphate binders for renal dialysis patients.

Legend Drugs:

Benzodiazepines; barbiturates; prescription strength folic acid as a single entity; prescription strength vitamin/mineral supplements for dialysis patients.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact the CMS Medicare line at 1-800-Medicare or you may contact the Bureau of Medicaid Pharmacy Services at 850-487-4441.

Respectfully,

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