Pharmacy Update
October 2018
AHCCCS Fee-For-Service Pharmacy

- April 1, 2019 PBM Changes:
  - Reimbursement for
    - The All Inclusive Rate
    - Specialty Medications
  - Online eligibility for all Medicaid Native Americans
  - IHS & 638 Pharmacy Staff / AHCCCS Workgroup
    - Meeting October 29th 1PM – 3PM

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All Inclusive Rate Plan PBM Set-Up

• One pharmacy AIR per day per member per IHS/638 pharmacy.
  o Additional pharmacy claims submitted on the same day after the first claims has been paid at the AIR will paid at zero.

• 5 AIR maximum per day per member per facility remains the same.

• Prescriptions for members eligible for Medicare:
  o Prescriptions medications must be billed to the member’s Medicare Part D plan.
  o Prescriptions for Over-the-Counter products may be submitted to the PBM for AIR reimbursement, with a maximum of one AIR per day per member per IHS/638 pharmacy and the 5 AIR daily maximum applies.

Other plan parameters will be discussed with the pharmacy workgroup.
The Pharmacy Workgroup in conjunction with AHCCCS to develop the Specialty Medication List.

Reimbursement for specialty medications:
- The federal supply schedule (FSS) price of the drug plus a professional fee of $8.75 or
- For drugs not on the FSS, the Wholesale Acquisition Cost plus a professional fee of $8.75.

Specialty medications, in general, require prior authorization.

Other parameters of the plan set-up will be discussed with the workgroup.
The transition of the AIR and Specialty Medications to the PBM will:

• Incorporate the member’s entire profile of prescription claims into one claim system allowing for:
  o Drug-Drug interactions & monitoring of all prescriptions in the profile;
  o Evaluation of excessive dosing and duplicate therapy; and
  o Morphine Equivalent Daily Dose monitoring;

• Include all pharmacies utilized by members to fill prescriptions; and

• Allows for the implementation of the Governor’s and the AHCCCS opioid parameters located in the AHCCCS Medical Policy 310-V Prescription Medications/Pharmacy Services Sections F and G
Thank You.
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