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Dear Ms. Young:

Enclosed is Arizona State Plan Amendment (SPA) #13-004, effective January 1, 2013, which updates the State Plan to reflect that drugs covered by Medicare will not be covered by Medicaid for dual eligibles.

If you have any questions about the enclosed SPA, please contact Theresa Gonzales at (602) 417-4732.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Monica Coury', is written over a horizontal line.

Monica Coury
Assistant Director
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Cc: Jessica Schubel

12. Prescribed drugs, dentures, and prosthetic devices; and eyeglasses prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases of the eye or by an optometrist.

12a. Prescribed drugs.

Medicare Part D drugs, including benzodiazepines for any condition and barbiturates used for the treatment of epilepsy, cancer or chronic mental health conditions, are not covered for full-benefit dual eligible members, as Part D will cover them.

Prescription drugs for covered transplantation services shall be provided in accordance with AHCCCS transplantation policies.

Over-the-counter or non-prescription medications are not covered unless an appropriate, alternative over-the-counter medication is available and less costly than a prescription medication.

In compliance with Section 1927(b) of the Social Security Act (the Act), the State collects drug rebates in accordance with established policy for drug rebate agreements as provided in Exhibit 12(a) to Attachment 3.1-A.

12c. Prosthetic devices.

Prosthetic devices are limited to devices prescribed by a physician or other licensed practitioner to artificially replace missing, deformed or malfunctioning portions of the body and which are medically necessary to the rehabilitation of the member.

Covered prosthetic devices for members age 21 and older do not include hearing aids, cochlear implants, bone anchored hearing aids, insulin pumps, percussive vests, microprocessors for controlled joints for the lower limbs in addition to microprocessor-controlled joints for the lower limbs, penile implants, and vacuum devices.

Orthotic devices, which are defined as devices that are prescribed by a physician or other licensed practitioner of the healing arts to support a weak or deformed portion of the body, are not covered.

12d. Eyeglasses.

Eye examinations for prescriptive lenses and the provision of prescriptive lenses under EPSDT services.

Adult services are limited to eyeglasses and contact lenses as the sole prosthetic device after a cataract extraction.

13. Other diagnostic, screening, preventive, and rehabilitative services, i.e., other than those provided elsewhere in the plan.

13a. Diagnostic Services.

Genetic testing is not covered unless the results of the genetic tests are necessary to differentiate between treatment options. Genetic testing is not covered to determine specific diagnoses or syndromes when such determination would not definitively alter the medical treatment of the member.

~~13b. Screening services.~~

~~Coverage is available for evidence-based medically necessary screening services for children based on guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics and CDC/IA/CIP for immunizations.~~

~~Coverage is available for evidence-based medically necessary screening services for adults as described in the AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (www.azahcccs.gov/shared/MedicalPolicyManual/MedicalPolicyManual.aspx?ID=policymanuals) which are based, in part, on guidelines from the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.~~

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13c. Preventive services.

Coverage is available for evidence-based medically necessary preventive services for children based on guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics and CDC/ACIP for immunizations.

Coverage is available for evidence-based medically necessary preventive services for adults as described in the AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (<http://www.azahcccs.gov/shared/MedicalPolicyManual/MedicalPolicyManual.aspx>) which are based, in part, on guidelines from the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.

Preventive services not covered are: well exams meaning physical examinations in absence of any known disease or symptom or any specific medical complaint by the patient precipitating the examination.

PAP smears, mammograms and colonoscopies are covered services.

13d. Rehabilitative services.

Rehabilitative Services- Services to teach independent living, social and communication skills to persons or their families to promote the maximum reduction of behavioral health symptoms and/or restoration of an individual to his/her best age appropriate functional level for the purpose of maximizing the person's ability to live independently and function in the community. Services may be provided to a person, a group of persons or their families with the person(s) present. Rehabilitative services must be provided by individuals who are qualified behavioral health professionals, behavioral health technicians or behavioral health paraprofessionals as described in the following pages of Attachment 3.1-A Limitations, pages 9(b) – 9(j).

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