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CMS Guidance Related to COVID-19: Prescription Drug Access

This is an advisory notification to Molina Healthcare of California (MHC) network providers with an update for Molina Medicare Advantage HMO's and Medicare-Medicaid Plan (MMP) providers (Collectively, "Molina Medicare").

1. **Emergency access to prescriptions for Medicare Members:**

- **CMS Requirement:** Members must have adequate access to covered Part D drugs dispensed at out-of-network pharmacies. Cost sharing and additional charges (i.e., the out-of-network pharmacy's usual and customary charge), if any, that exceed the plan allowance remain the member's responsibility.
- **Existing Molina Medicare Business Rule:** The national pharmacy network is available for Molina Medicare members to fill emergency prescriptions. Members that paid out-of-pocket for prescriptions at out-of-network pharmacies can submit a request for reimbursement for any portion that they paid that was outside of the member's responsibility. Member reimbursements will be issued minus any applicable cost-share amounts.

2. **Prescription Benefits for Medicare Members:**

- **CMS Requirement:**
 - 1. Plan must relax "Refills-Too-Soon" Edits while providing Medicare Advantage and Part D sponsors flexibility on how safety edits are applied as long as access to Part D drugs is provided at the point-of-sale.
 - 2. Plans must permit enrollees to obtain the totals supply prescribed for a covered Part D Drug up to a 90-day supply in one fill or refill.
- **New Molina Medicare Business Rule (effective March 1, 2020):**
 - 1. Molina has relaxed the Refill Too Soon edits while retaining safety edits as applicable.
 - 2. Members have access to get up to a 90-day supply for their Part D prescriptions upon request. The emergency guidance aligns with Molina's existing 90-day supply policy.

Molina Healthcare is monitoring COVID-19 developments daily. We will update you as things change and encourage you to monitor the CDC website:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) continues to release guidance for health care providers to follow during the National State of Emergency, including special requirements for Medicare Advantage Organizations (MAOs) and MMP's during a disaster, or emergency related to Parts A/B, Part D and Supplemental Part C benefit access.

Additional COVID-19 Emergency and Disaster Guidance is published on the CMS website at the following link: <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/hpms-memo-covid-information-plans.pdf>.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions regarding the notification, please contact your Molina Provider Services Representative at (888) 562-5442. Please refer to the extensions on page one.