

# BULLETIN

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Dear Provider:

## Re: 30 Day Dispense Fees

In order to manage potential drug shortages due to stockpiling of medications by patients, Pharmacies have been directed by the NLPB to limit days' supply to 30 days. Where pharmacists have to decrease the days' supply to 30 days due to this directive, the NLPDP **will only charge a co-payment to members for their initial 30 day prescription fill or refill** to offset the cost to our beneficiaries.

The second and third fill on the same prescription is to be waived for members who, based on their claim history, normally fill their prescriptions and refills in excess of 30 days.

### **Applicable Plans**

- 65 Plus Plan
- Foundation Plan

### **Claim submission**

Pharmacists will continue to be paid the regular dispense fee for each prescription fill. The Pharmaceutical Services Division is currently working on the adjudication system enhancements to accommodate these changes.

All claims submitted to the NLPDP for reimbursement are subject to audit and recovery.

We will continue to actively monitor information regarding COVID-19 as it is received and will assess these changes on an ongoing basis.

If you have any further questions regarding these changes, please do not hesitate to call 1-709-729-6507 or 1-888-222-0533.

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