

MANAGED CARE UPDATES

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PROVIDER NOTIFICATION

➤ Medicaid Pharmacy Benefit Changes

- **Effective October 1, 2011 Medicaid Pharmacy benefit transitioned to Managed Care. Beneficiaries enrolled in Medicaid Managed Care (MMC) and Family Health Plus (FHP) will receive their pharmacy benefits through their health plans, and will no longer receive their pharmacy benefits through fee-for-service New York State Medicaid.**

Beneficiaries will be issued new identification cards which can be presented at the pharmacy, instead of the Medicaid card. Network pharmacies will submit claims directly to the beneficiary's managed care plan. There will be no change in beneficiary co-pay amounts.

In order for a smooth transition to the new formulary, members who are affected by any formulary change are given a 30-day transitional fill between October 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011 by most of the health insurance plans. Members are being encouraged by the health plans to discuss their current prescriptions and the covered therapeutic alternatives with their health care provider.

The following health plans have transitioned their members' Medicaid Pharmacy benefit to Managed Care effective October 1, 2011. For your convenience, the formulary link for each health plan is provided below.

Managed Care Plan	Pharmacy Benefit Manager	Formulary Information/Link
Affinity Health Plan	CVS Caremark	Link to Affinity Formulary: www.affinityplan.org/affinity/Provider/Pharmacy.aspx
Amerigroup	CVS Caremark	The Amerigroup formulary can be accessed at: https://providers.amerigroupcorp.com/QuickTools/Pages/FormularyCaid.aspx
Amida Care	Express Scripts (ESI)	As a result of a contract dispute between Express Scripts and Walgreens (which includes Duane Reade), Amida Care members can continue to get their prescriptions filled at Duane Reade and Walgreens pharmacies through December 31, 2011. However, effective January 1, 2012, Amida Care members must use Express Scripts for their pharmaceutical needs. The Amida Care formulary can be accessed at: http://www.amidacareny.org/Collateral/Documents/English-US/AmidaCareFormulary.pdf
Emblem HIP	EmblemHealth PBS/HIP Health Plan of New York	HIP Medicaid and Family Health Plus members will receive their pharmacy benefits through EmblemHealth Pharmacy Benefit Services (EmblemHealth PBS). The Emblem HIP formulary link is: www.emblemhealth.com .

Managed Care Plan	Pharmacy Benefit Manager	Formulary Information/Link
Emblem GHI/GHI HMO	Express Scripts, Inc. (ESI)	Effective January 1, 2012, Express Scripts, Inc. will provide pharmacy benefit management services which have been expanded to include EmblemHealth commercial, Medicare Advantage and Medicare Part D plans. ESI currently provide pharmacy benefits to GHI and GHI HMO members as indicated on their ID cards. To access the EmblemHealth formulary for GHI/GHI HMO members log onto www.hipusa.com click on Pharmacy Services, then click n Drug Formulary.
Fidelis Care	CVS Caremark	For information on the Fidelis Care Formulary, please visit their website at www.fideliscrae.org
HealthFirst	Express Scripts, Inc. (ESI)	Below are links to Members' ID Cards and Formulary http://www.healthfirstny.org/member/Medicaid-CHF-FHP-Member-Materials-Forms.asp Formulary: http://www.healthfirstny.org/bemember/Medicaid-Managed-Care.asp http://www.healthfirstny.org/bemember/Family-Health-Plus.asp
HealthPlus	MedImpact Healthcare Systems, Inc.	The Healthplus formulary link is as follows: https://mp.medimpact.com/mp/secure/LaunchProductFrameset.jsp

Managed Care Plan	Pharmacy Benefit Manager	Formulary Information/Link
MetroPlus Health Plan	CVS Caremark	<p>The MetroPlus formulary for Medicaid/FHP/SNP products can be found at:</p> <p>http://www.metroplus.org/docs/formulary/MetroPlus%20Medicaid%20FHP%20HIV%20Formulary.pdf</p>
Neighborhood Health Providers	Express Scripts	<p>The NHP formulary can be accessed at:</p> <p>http://www.getnhp.com/m_pharmacy_selectyourplan.html</p>
WellCare Health Plans, Inc.	CatalystRx	<p>The link is: https://www.catalystrx.com/www/home.jsp</p>