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Attention: Medicaid Fee- for- Service Providers
Dispense Brand Name Drug when Less Expensive than Generic Program

Effective November 14, 2013, the following changes will be made to the Dispense Brand Name Drug when Less Expensive than Generic Program:

- **Catapres-TTS, Hepsera, Lidoderm, Niaspan and Prevpac will be added** to the program.
- **Maxalt MLT and Zovirax ointment will be removed** from the program.

In conformance with State Education Law which intends that patients receive the lower cost alternative, brand name drugs included in this program:

- **Do not require 'Dispense as Written' (DAW) or 'Brand Medically Necessary' on the prescription.**
- Have a generic copayment.
- Are paid at the Brand Name Drug reimbursement rate or usual and customary price, whichever is lower (SMAC/FUL are not applied).
- Do not require a new prescription if the drug is removed from this program.

IMPORTANT BILLING INFORMATION
Prescription claims submitted to the Medicaid program **do not require** the submission of Dispense As Written/Product Selection Code of '1'; **Pharmacies can submit any valid NCPDP field (408-D8) value.**

List of Brand Name Drugs included in this program* *(Updated 10/25/13):*

Accolate	Felbatol	Singulair granules
Adderall & Adderall XR	Gabitril 2mg, 4mg	Soriatane
Alphagan P 0.15%	Hepsera	Symbyax
Astelin	Kadian	Tegretol suspension
Bactroban cream	Lidoderm	Tegretol XR
Carbatrol	Lovenox	Temodar
Catapres-TTS	Marinol	Tobradex
Combivir	Nasacort AQ	Toprol XL
Depakote sprinkle	Niaspan	Tricor
Dovonex cream	Prandin	Trileptal suspension
Diastat	Prevpac	Vancocin
Diovan HCT	Prograf	Valtrex
Duetact	Pulmicort Respules	Ziagen tablet
Epivir	Sanctura XR	

*List is subject to change

Please keep in mind that drugs in this program may be subject to prior authorization requirements of other pharmacy programs, promoting the use of the most cost-effective product.

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