

To: **All Providers** HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

SeniorCare Extended to December 31, 2009

SeniorCare is a prescription drug assistance program for Wisconsin residents 65 years of age or older who meet the eligibility requirements. The program is designed to help seniors with their prescription drug costs. SeniorCare began on September 1, 2002, and was due to expire on June 30, 2007. However, an amendment to a supplemental appropriation bill signed by the president has extended SeniorCare to December 31, 2009. All current SeniorCare program policies continue to apply.

Seniors apply for Wisconsin SeniorCare for a 12-month benefit period. If eligible, SeniorCare benefits are effective on the first day of the month following the month in which eligibility criteria are met. All SeniorCare participants must reapply after 12 months.

Seniors who receive a SeniorCare renewal form in the mail should complete the form and mail it to SeniorCare with the \$30 enrollment fee. Seniors who wish to enroll in SeniorCare may do so through December 2009.

The Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Although the Update refers to Medicaid recipients, all information applies to BadgerCare recipients and SeniorCare participants also.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare, and SeniorCare are administered by the Division of Health Care Financing, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services, P.O. Box 309, Madison, WI 53701-0309.

For questions, call Provider Services at (800) 947-9627 or (608) 221-9883 or visit our Web site at *dhfs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/*.

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