

Affected Programs: SeniorCare

To: Blood Banks, Dispensing Physicians, Federally Qualified Health Centers, Pharmacies, Rural Health Clinics, HMOs and Other Managed Care Programs

Reimbursement Change for SeniorCare

This *ForwardHealth Update* provides information about a reimbursement change for retail pharmacies dispensing drugs to SeniorCare members effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2009.

Effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2009, the SeniorCare drug reimbursement rate will be the same as the BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid drug reimbursement rate. The SeniorCare additional 5 percent and the \$.50 rate reduction will no longer be applied to SeniorCare claims.

Information Regarding Managed Care Organizations

This *ForwardHealth Update* contains fee-for-service policy for members enrolled in Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus who receive pharmacy services on a fee-for-service basis only. Pharmacy services for Medicaid members enrolled in the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) and the Family Care Partnership are provided by the member's managed care organization. Medicaid and BadgerCare Plus HMOs must provide at least the same benefits as those provided under fee-for-service.

The *ForwardHealth Update* is the first source of program policy and billing information for providers.

Wisconsin Medicaid, BadgerCare Plus, SeniorCare, and Wisconsin Chronic Disease Program are administered by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability, Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS). The Wisconsin Well Woman Program is administered by the Division of Public Health, Wisconsin DHS.

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