Prior Authorizations

- The Iowa Medicaid Preferred Drug List will be implemented on January 15, 2005. Beginning January 15, 2005, all prior authorizations must be faxed by the prescriber to 1-800-574-2515.

- Existing prior authorizations will remain in place for preferred drugs until the prior authorization end date.

- Existing prior authorizations for non-preferred drugs will expire on January 15, 2005.

- The prescriber can either change to a preferred drug or fax a request for prior authorization of the non-preferred drug to the Iowa Medicaid Drug Prior Authorization Unit at 1-800-574-2515.

- Prior Authorization Fax Requests will be accepted prior to January 15, 2005 but the final decisions on the prior authorizations will not be released until January 15, 2005. You may fax these requests to 1-800-574-2515.

- For questions regarding prior authorizations and the preferred drug list, call the Provider PA Help Desk at 1-877-776-1567.