Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

A. Prescription Drug Co-payment Changes

Effective July 1, 2005 the prescription co-payment structure for Iowa Medicaid will be revised as follows:

$1.00 for all drugs except
- $2.00 for all non-preferred brand-name drugs for which the cost to the state is $25.01 to $50.00
- $3.00 for all non-preferred brand-name drugs for which the cost to the state is $50.01 or more

B. Point-of-Sale (POS) Changes

Please see the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise Informational Letter #419 or visit www.iowamedicaidpos.com for more information.

- Pharmacy Point-of-Sale (POS) requests: Effective June 25, 2005 all point-of-sale (POS) transactions will be handled by the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise. POS will handle the overrides for pro-DUR edits such as high dose, therapeutic duplication, refill too soon, excessive days supply, dose consolidation, duplicate claim, or immunosuppressant drugs.

- There will be a blackout period from June 24th at 10:00 p.m. until 8:00 a.m. on June 25th. No pharmacy point-of-sale claims will be processed at this time. This is necessary to allow the transition to the new IME POS vendor.

- Bin/PCN Number Change: The new bin number for processing claims is 011933. The new PCN is IAPOP. Please contact your software vendor for assistance with the bin number change.

- POS Agreement: Pharmacies are required to update the Iowa DHS Point of Sale Agreement that was previously completed. A completed agreement is required due to a new vendor, GHS Data Management, processing all the pharmacy claims on behalf of the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise. Please visit www.iowamedicaidpos.com to complete this agreement or refer to Informational Letter #419 to complete the attached POS agreement.

- Contact Information (as of June 25, 2005):

  PHARMACY POS HELP DESK: 877-463-7671
  515-725-1107 (local)

  PHARMACY POS FAX NUMBER: 515-725-1357

  PHARMACY POS EMAIL: info@iowamedicaidpos.com

  PHARMACY POS MAILING ADDRESS: IME Pharmacy POS
  100 Army Post Road
  Des Moines, IA 50315

- Member Services Help Desk: 800-338-8366
  (as of June 30th, 2005)
  515-725-1003 (local)

Note: After June 30, 2005, toll free numbers for the Pharmacy POS Help Desk and the Pharmacy PA Help Desk will not be available to callers in the Des Moines local calling area. All local callers will need to call (515) 725-1107 for the Pharmacy POS Help Desk and (515) 725-1106 for the Pharmacy PA Help Desk.