



State of Vermont Disclosure Statement

Pharmacy Benefit Administration and Related Services

V.S.A Title 33, Chapter 19, Subchapter V, § 2001 states that OVHA shall not enter into a contract with a pharmacy benefit manager where a bidder/contractor has entered into an agreement or engaged in a practice described in this disclosure unless the Director determines and certifies in a required fiscal report to the Vermont General Assembly, that such agreement or practice furthers the financial interests of Vermont, and does not adversely affect the medical interests of Vermont beneficiaries. This requirement applies to any bidder/contractor that provides pharmacy benefit manager related services.

Please respond to the following disclosure requirements. Provide a written statement that addresses separately each of items A – F listed below. Identify any agreement entered into by the bidder/contractor related to each item and disclose the financial impact of such agreements on Vermont and on Vermont beneficiaries. This should be in the form of a letter addressed to the Contract Administrator and signed by an individual in the company authorized to provide this information. This should be provided in a manner that preserves the confidentiality of any proprietary information as determined by the Director of OVHA.

- (A) Any agreement with a pharmaceutical manufacturer to favor the manufacturer's products over a competitor's products, or to place the manufacturer's drug on the pharmacy benefit manager's preferred list or formulary, or to switch the drug prescribed by the patient's health care provider with a drug agreed to by the pharmacy benefit manager and the manufacturer;
- (B) Any agreement with a pharmaceutical manufacturer to share manufacturer rebates and discounts with the pharmacy benefit manager, or to pay "soft money" or other economic benefits to the pharmacy benefit manager;
- (C) Any agreement or practice to bill Vermont health benefit plans for prescription drugs at a cost higher than the pharmacy benefit manager pays the pharmacy;
- (D) Any agreement to share revenue with a mail order or internet pharmacy company;
- (E) Any agreement to sell prescription drug data concerning Vermont beneficiaries, or data concerning the prescribing practices of the health care providers of Vermont beneficiaries; or
- (F) Any other agreement of the pharmacy benefit manager with a pharmaceutical manufacturer, or with wholesale and retail pharmacies affecting the cost of pharmacy benefits provided to Vermont beneficiaries.