

2011 PART D CLAIMS PROCESSING UPDATES

There are changes in the coverage and premiums of Part D Plan offerings, so it is expected that some beneficiaries will be changing plans. Contained in this bulletin are some resources to make this year's transition as easy as possible.

Closing the Part D Coverage Gap and VPharm

The Affordable Care Act includes provisions to close the Medicare Part D prescription drug coverage gap (also known as the "donut hole") to make prescription drugs more affordable for people with Medicare.

Starting January 1, 2011, people with Medicare who have Part D, but who do not receive Extra Help (through the low-income subsidy), will receive a 50% discount for brand drugs under the Medicare Coverage Gap Discount Program, and a 7% discount for all other covered Part D drugs (e.g., generic drugs and supplies associated with the delivery on insulin) while they are in the coverage gap.

IMPORTANT: VPharm wrap coverage will not be available for the drugs of manufacturers who have not signed an agreement to cover the 50% discount on brand drugs. Without this agreement, the manufacturer's branded drugs are no longer considered Part D covered drugs.

Effective January 1, 2011, because nearly all claims will include a payment from the Part D plan, claims submitted to VPharm must be submitted with an Other Coverage Code=2 with a payment from the primary insurer in order to be covered. The **only exception** will be when the beneficiary is in the Part B or Part D deductible. The use of OCC 4 for the deductible will be closely monitored by the State.

CHANGE: VPharm Pilot Program for Statins and Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIs)

Effective January 3, 2011, DVHA will only cover the cost-sharing (deductible, donut hole and coinsurance) for the following proton pump inhibitors: **omeprazole Rx 20 mg and 40 mg. PRILOSEC OTC WILL NO LONGER BE COVERED.** As a reminder, a VPharm coverage exception may be possible for non-covered PPIs or Statins, but only when a prescriber can detail – through the prior authorization/exception process – the conditions that make it strictly medically necessary and/or provide evidence that the VPharm covered drugs are harmful. **Please note that new omeprazole prescriptions may be required for your patients currently on Prilosec OTC.** If you would like a list of your customers who are affected by this change, please contact the DVHA pharmacy unit at (802) 879-5900.

Part D Plans for 2011

Attached is a contact list for all Part D plans serving Vermonters in 2011. To the best of our knowledge, this contact list contains the correct pharmacy center, member services and eligibility/enrollment contact information, as well as the correct pharmacy billing information (BINs and PCNs).

Member Enrollment Assistance

In the past we have provided you with a list of Part D Plans that result in “no additional cost” to our beneficiaries. However, this year we will not be including this list due to potential confusion: In 2011, VPharm beneficiaries who are 100% LIS eligible and Full Benefit Duals will have different “no additional cost” plan options than non-LIS VPharm beneficiaries.

It is our opinion that it would be more beneficial to the beneficiaries with questions about their Medicare Part D prescription drug plan options to direct them to do the following:

- Call Medicare at 1-800-633-42273; or
- Go to <http://www.medicare.gov/>, scroll down and click on Part D Prescription Drug Plans, then scroll down and click on “Compare Drug and Health Plans & Medigap Policies,” then enter the zip code; or
- Call 1-800-642-5119, the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) at your local Area Agency on Aging.

Medicare/Medicaid Eligibles without a Part D Plan

Point-of-Sale Facilitated Enrollment (POS FE) Process & Limited Income Newly Eligible Transition Program:

The POS FE process was designed to ensure that individuals with both Medicare and Medicaid, “dual eligibles,” who are not enrolled in a Part D prescription plan, are still able to obtain immediate prescription drug coverage when evidence of Medicare and Medicaid eligibility are presented at the pharmacy. Other individuals who qualify for the Part D low-income subsidy (LIS) are also able to use the POS FE process. To ensure coverage and allow for billing to a Medicare Part D plan, follow these steps:

Step 1) Submit an E1 Transaction to the TROOP Facilitator. Note: If you are uncertain about how to submit an E1 or enhanced E1 query, please contact your software vendor.

If the E1 query returns a BIN/PCN indicating the patient has current drug plan coverage, **do NOT submit a claim to the POS FE process**. If the E1 query returns a help desk telephone number, this indicates the individual has been enrolled but the 4Rx data is not yet available. Please contact that plan for the proper 4Rx data.

If the E1 query does not return a BIN/PCN indicating the individual has current drug plan coverage, go to step 2.

Step 2) BIN/PCN to submit claims for the 2011 Limited Income NET Program:

BIN: 610649

PCN: 05440000

ID Number: Medicare HIC Number and Group Number: Social Security Number.

More information on the Limited Income NET program is available online at the following location:
https://www.cms.gov/LowIncSubMedicarePresCov/03_MedicareLimitedIncomeNET.asp

Vermont Medicare Part D PDP Contact List – 2011

Company Name	Aetna	BCBS	Bravo	CIGNA	Envision Ins. Co.	First Health	Health Net
Contract #	S5810	S2893	S5998	S5617	S7694	S5768 & s5674	S5678
Plan Name	Aetna Medicare Rx	Blue Medicare Rx	Bravo Rx	Cigna Medicare Rx	Envision Rx Plus	First Health Part D	Health Net Orange
PBM		CVS Caremark	Medco			Medco	Caremark
Pharmacy Center	800-238-6279	800-364-6331	800-875-3162	800-558-9363	800-361-4542	800-922-1557	888-865-6567
PA Phone	800-414-2386	800-294-5979	877-813-5595	800-558-9363	800-361-4542x8101	800-551-2694	800-867-6564
PA Fax	800-408-2386	888-836-0730	866-464-0709	800-390-9745	330-405-8081	800-639-9158	916-463-9754
Member Services	877-238-6211	888-496-4178	877-504-7252	800-222-6700	800-361-4542	866-823-5177	800-806-8811
BIN	610502	00 4336	610014	0 12353	0 12312	610014	00 4336
PCN	00 670000	ADV	MEDDPRIME	0 34900000	PART D	MEDDPRIME	ADV
Company Name	HealthSpring	Humana	Med Co	Rx America	Silverscript	Sterling	Tufts
Contract #	S5932	S5884	S5660	S5644	S5601	S4802	S0655
Plan Name	HealthSpring	Humana	Medco Medicare	Rx America	Silverscript	Sterling Rx	Tufts Health
PBM	Argus			CVS Caremark	CVS Caremark	Express Scripts	Caremark
Pharmacy Center	800-331-6293	800-522-7487	800-922-1557	877-279-0327	800-364-6331	866-454-7141	800-279-9022
PA Phone	800-331-6293	800-555-2546	800-753-2851	866-549-0991	800-294-5979	800-417-8164	800-626-3046
PA Fax	866-593-4407	877-486-2621	800-711-5673	866-855-2676	888-836-0730	800-357-9577	
Member Services	800-331-6293	888-445-8678	800-758-4531	800-429-6686	866-235-5660	888-858-8551	800-701-9000
BIN	12353	6100649	610014	12189	00 4336	00 3858	610415
PCN	359000	0 320000	MEDDPRIME	5000	ADV	A4	PCS
Company Name	Unicare	United American	United HealthCare	Universal American	WellCare		
Contract #	S5960	S5755	S5820 & S5921	S5803	S5967		
Plan Name	Medicare Rx	UA Medicare Rx	UHC & AARP	Community Care Rx	Wellcare		
PBM	Wellpoint	Medco	Caremark		Walgreen Health Initiative		
Pharmacy Center	800-662-0210	800-922-1557	1-877-889-6481	866-684-5395	866-800-6111		
PA Phone	800-338-6180	800-753-2851	1-800-711-4555	866-684-5353	866-269-2966		
PA Fax	800-601-4829	800-711-5673	1-800-527-0531	866-868-0858	866-388-1767		
Member Services	800-928-6201	800-596-4645	1-877-710-5083	866-684-5353	888-547-5252		
BIN	610575	610014	610097	610211	603286		
PCN	00 890000	MEDDPRIME	9999	PDP	0 1410000		