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Pharmacy Provider Liaison
Minutes from Meeting on December 14th, 2017

Attendees

Brett Gingrich, Cherry Health; Chelsea Seal, Cascade Hemophilia; Joseph Leonard, Walgreens; Andrew Richner, Clark Hill/Rite Aid; Jennette Baker, Meijer; Ghada Abdallah, Park Pharmacy; Eric Liu and Jeff Holm, Michigan Pharmacists Association; Sherrill Bryant, Magellan; Karen Brown, Helen Walley, Trish Bouck, David Neff, Rajita Dnyate, Linda VanCamp and Rita Subhedar, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).

Tobacco Dependence Treatment Program

Karen Brown, Tobacco Dependence Treatment Coordinator at MDHHS, explained an issue regarding billing for tobacco cessation treatment kits. Beneficiaries with Medicare and Medicaid coverage (i.e. Dual Eligibles) are unable to fill their over-the-counter tobacco cessation products because they are not covered by Medicare Part D. However, most of these products are covered by Medicaid. Tobacco cessation products for Dual Eligible beneficiaries should be billed to Medicaid.

Updates from MDHHS Drug Utilization Review Board

Dr. David Neff (Chief Physician of our Office of Medical Affairs) provided an update on the topics discussed during the Department's Drug Utilization Review Board meeting on December 12th. The Board reviewed the new drugs Shingrix, Mvasi, Ogivri, Yescarta, Prevymis, and Juluca. The Board also reviewed new FDA alerts for Uloric as well as Hepatitis medications, and new indications for Austedo and Abilify MyCite. The Board discussed the Department's plans to limit new start short-acting narcotics to a 7-day maximum duration and morphine milliequivalents dose of 50 mg per day, and end the concurrent use of short-acting narcotics. Soft message of these changes will take effect in Spring 2018.

Updates from P&T Committee

Dr. Neff also provided an overview of items discussed at the Department's P&T Committee meeting held on December 12th. The Committee reviewed new drugs as well as Anti-Parkinson Agents, Analgesics, Central Nervous System agents and Dermatologics.

Hepatitis A Vaccine Administration

Rita Subhedar, Pharmacy Policy Specialist, provided an update on pharmacist administration of Hepatitis A vaccines. MDHHS and public health officials are continuing to see an elevated number of Hepatitis A cases in Southeast Michigan and Ingham County. Medicaid Fee-for-Service and Medicaid Health Plans cover pharmacist administration of the Hepatitis A vaccine. Counseling on the prevention of contracting Hepatitis A may be billed as a Medication Therapy Management service.

Coverage for Emergency Services Only Beneficiaries

For the purpose of ESO coverage, federal Medicaid regulations define an emergency medical condition (including emergency labor and delivery) as a sudden onset of a physical or mental condition which causes acute symptoms, including severe pain, where the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to:

- Place the person's health in serious jeopardy, or
- Cause serious impairment to bodily functions, or
- Cause serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

In addition, as a reminder, effective October 1, 2017 any claims submitted for a beneficiary with ESO coverage must be submitted with a level of service 03 (NCPDP Field 418-DI) to attest that the service is related to an emergent condition. Claims submitted with an invalid or missing level of service identifier will deny with NCPDP reject 32 - M/I Level of Service. Prior authorization must be obtained for any service/drug for ESO beneficiaries that do not contain the appropriate level of service identifier.

Dispensing Naloxone

As stated in a letter to pharmacy providers on October 9th, claims for naloxone should be submitted to the intended recipient's health care payer. If the intended recipient is a Medicaid beneficiary, the claim must be billed using the beneficiary's identification number assigned for their Medicaid program coverage or billed through the beneficiary's Medicaid Health Plan.

Information on the Standing Order issued by Chief Medical Executive Dr. Eden Wells to provide naloxone is available at Michigan.gov/naloxone. This site also includes a list and a map of pharmacies approved to dispense naloxone under the standing order.

Between September 2016 and April 2017, there were 318 claims for naloxone. However, since the Standing Order for Naloxone was issued on May 26, there have been 1,321 claims for naloxone.

Delayed Electronic Funds Transfer/Check Release Dates for Upcoming Holidays

Helen Walley, Pharmacy Services Section Manager, provided an update on the delayed Electronic Funds Transfer/Check release dates for the upcoming holidays. Payments will be distributed one business day late on Tuesday 12/26/2017 due to the Christmas holiday and on Tuesday 1/2/2018 due to the New Year holiday.

Medication Therapy Management

As of December 12, 2017 there are 142 pharmacists enrolled as Medication Therapy Management (MTM) providers. This has increased from 129 pharmacists in September. 15 of those pharmacists have submitted claims, and there are 268 paid MTM claims. This is a significant increase from the 86 paid MTM claims in September.

The materials from the MTM Virtual Training on May 15, 2017, including the PowerPoint presentation slides and Q&A, are available at Michigan.gov/MedicaidProviders >> Medicaid Alerts >> Provider Tips.

For questions regarding MTM enrollment, contact ProviderEnrollment@michigan.gov. For questions regarding submitting claims, contact ProviderSupport@michigan.gov or 1-800-292-2550.

Provider Enrollment

Section 5005(b)(2) of the 21st Century Cures Act requires that Medicaid providers are screened and enrolled by Medicaid state agencies by January 1, 2018. Beginning March 1, 2018, MDHHS will prohibit MCOs from making payments to pharmacies not enrolled in the Community Health Automated Medicaid Processing System (CHAMPS). Beginning May 1, 2018, MDHHS will prohibit both Fee-For-Service and MCO payment for prescription drug claims written by a prescriber who is not enrolled in CHAMPS.

In order to ensure that as many prescribers serving Medicaid beneficiaries are enrolled, MDHHS has issued Provider Bulletin MSA 17-48 on the Provider Enrollment requirement, issued notices about the requirement through the Department's listservs, and website, and has issued a press release (available at http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-73970_71692-455802--,00.html). In early 2018 MDHHS will be reaching out to stakeholder groups representing providers, and will issue a letter to beneficiaries on the enrollment requirement. More information on this project will be shared at the next Pharmacy Liaison meeting on March 29th. Pharmacies and other providers that have not yet enrolled in CHAMPS can find more information on the process at Michigan.gov/MedicaidProviders >> [Provider Enrollment](#).

The next meeting will be on March 29, 2018.