



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Bureau of Health Services Financing

MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 16, 2016
TO: All Louisiana Medicaid Providers
FROM: Dr. SreyRam Kuy, Medicaid Chief Medical Officer
SUBJECT: Makena® in Louisiana Medicaid

Dear Providers,
Thank you for caring for our Louisiana Medicaid patients. We appreciate you and all you do!

Improving birth outcomes is a priority for the Louisiana Department of Health, and 17-hydroxyprogesterone is an important tool in preventing preterm births.

We'd like to let all our providers know that Makena® does not require prior authorization for Louisiana Medicaid plans, Fee for Service and all the Managed Care Organization Plans. Makena® Care Connection, an adherence support program from the manufacturer, is not required for Medicaid recipients as well.

The Department's goal is to provide access to Makena® with no barriers or paperwork for the prescribers and reduce the risk of preterm birth in women who have a history of singleton spontaneous preterm birth in Louisiana.

An Informational Bulletin with complete Billing and Order Guide has been posted at:
http://ldh.louisiana.gov/assets/docs/BayouHealth/Informational_Bulletins/2016/IB16-5.pdf

We appreciate your efforts in decreasing the risk of preterm birth in Louisiana and for your treatment and care of our Medicaid moms. If you have any issues obtaining Makena® for your patients please call Paul Knecht (225) 342-2768 or Pharmacy Help Desk (800) 437-9101 as a central point of contact.

Your continued support of the Louisiana Medicaid Program efforts to coordinate care and improve health is greatly appreciated.

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c: Healthy Louisiana Plans
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