



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

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 15, 2016

TO: All Louisiana Fee for Service (FFS) Medicaid Providers

FROM: Jen Steele, Medicaid Director

SUBJECT: FFS Medicaid Pharmacy Coverage of Preventive Care Over the Counter (OTC) Drugs and Hospice Copay Exemption

Effective July 1, 2016, the following OTC drugs will be covered for the appropriate Medicaid recipient population with a prescription:

OTC Drug	Medicaid Recipient	Preventive Care
Aspirin 81mg	Women greater than 12 years old Men greater than 44 years old	Cardiovascular disease, colorectal cancer, and preeclampsia prevention
Folic Acid 0.4mg and 0.8mg	Women ages 12-54	Pregnancy planning
Vitamin D 400 IU	Women and Men greater than 64 years old	Fall prevention

Age Limits

Pharmacy claims submitted for recipients outside of the limits listed above will deny at Point of Sale with:

**NCPDP reject code 60 (Product/Service Not Covered for Patient Age)
mapped to
EOB code 234 (P/F Age Restriction)**

There are no override provisions through the Point of Sale (POS) system using NCPDP service codes.

Quantities of 100 with 100 days' supply will be allowed to process. Pharmacy claims for these products for preventive purposes will be exempt from copay. Coverage for aspirin 81mg will be continued for recipients greater than 79 years old; however these pharmacy claims will be subject to copayment.

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New Pharmacy Copay Exemption

Effective July 1, 2016 recipients enrolled with hospice will be exempt from copay on Fee for Service pharmacy claims. Pharmacy providers will not need to enter codes at Point of Sale to accomplish this exemption since it will be programmed in claims processing system.

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

If you have questions about the contents of this memo, you may contact the Pharmacy Help Desk at (800) 437-9101 or refer to www.lamedicaid.com.

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