



**State of Louisiana**  
Department of Health and Hospitals  
Bureau of Health Services Financing

February 9, 2011

Dear Medicaid Pharmacy Provider:

**Re: Reimbursement of Tamiflu® Suspension**

Louisiana Medicaid does not pay for compounded prescriptions, nor has the billing process been established to allow the submission of compounded prescriptions.

Due to the shortage of commercially manufactured oseltamivir (Tamiflu®) suspension, Louisiana Medicaid will only allow pharmacies to bill the quantity of Tamiflu® capsules utilized in the mixing of the suspension as ordered by a prescribing practitioner's prescription. This will be allowed as long as the shortage of the manufactured Tamiflu® exists.

Pharmacies may receive letters from the Louisiana Medicaid Pharmacy Audit Section which is verifying the quantity of Tamiflu® capsules dispensed. In some instances, pharmacies have submitted billed quantities for the final compounded quantity and not the total number of capsules used in the mixing of the suspension. Following the instructions above will avoid the overbilling of quantities and/or charges.

When a pharmacy is attempting to bill Medicaid as the secondary payor, the claim must be submitted to Medicaid on the NCPDP paper Universal Claim Form.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Medicaid Pharmacy Benefits Management Section at 1-800-437-9101 or 225-342-9768.

Your patience and adherence to this policy are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Gregory".

Don Gregory  
Medicaid Director

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