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## Medicaid Fee- for- Service Providers Dispense Brand Name Drug when Less Expensive than Generic Program \*REVISED\*

**Effective 05/26/2016**, the following changes will be made to the Dispense Brand Name Drug when Less Expensive than Generic Program:

- Imitrex Kit (pens and Cartridges) will be added to the program.
- Ability Tablets\*, Cymbalta and Renvela Tablets will be removed from the program.

In conformance with State Education Law which intends that patients receive the lower cost alternative, brand name drugs included in this program:

- Do not require 'Dispense as Written' (DAW) or 'Brand Medically Necessary' on the prescription.
- Have a generic copayment.
- Are paid at the Brand Name Drug reimbursement rate or usual and customary price, whichever is lower (SMAC/FUL are not applied).
- Do not require a new prescription if the drug is removed from this program.

## IMPORTANT BILLING INFORMATION

Prescription claims submitted to the Medicaid program **do not require** the submission of Dispense as Written/Product Selection Code of '1'; **Pharmacies can submit any valid NCPDP field (408-D8) value.** 

List of Brand Name Drugs included in this program\* (Updated): 05/16/2016

Ability Solution	Exelon Patch	Pulmicort Respules
Adderall XR	Focalin XR 5mg, 10mg,	Soriatane
	15mg,20mg,30mg,40mg	
Aggrenox	Gabitril 2mg, 4mg	Tegretol suspension
Aldara	Gleevec	Tegretol XR
Alphagan P 0.15%	Hepsera	Tobradex suspension
Astepro	Imitrex Kit (pens and	Tricor
	Cartridges)	
Baraclude	Kapvay	Trilipix
Catapres-TTS	Mepron	Trizivir
Cellcept suspension	Myfortic	Valcyte
Combivir	Nasonex	Voltaren Gel
Copaxone 20ml SQ	Niaspan	Xeloda
Diastat	Patanase	Xenazine
Epivir HBV tablet	Protopic	

<sup>\*</sup>List is subject to change

Please keep in mind that drugs in this program may be subject to prior authorization requirements of other pharmacy programs, promoting the use of the most cost-effective product.

<sup>\*</sup>Ability Solution remains in the program