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Reminder: Drug Coverage for New York State Medicaid Dual Eligible Members

As previously communicated in the August 2020, *Medicaid Update* article, <u>Drug Coverage for New York State Medicaid Dual Eligible Members</u>, **coverage is available for select prescription vitamins and OTC drugs** for New York State (NYS) Medicaid Dual eligible members. **Medicaid may not cover some OTC products which have legend drug substitutes that are covered by Medicare Part D and MAPD plans.** Only Medicaid reimbursable drugs excluded by Medicare are covered for Dual eligible members.

Pharmacies submitting claims for such drugs will receive the NCPDP reject code of 41 with message "Submit bill to other processor or primary payer." When a provider receives this message, the member has Medicare Part D coverage for drugs and the claim should be submitted to the plan. The pharmacy should resubmit the claim to the Medicare Part D prescription drug plan or Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug (MAPD) using the legend alternative, obtaining a new prescription if appropriate.

Providers may find additional relevant information at the following links:

- https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/medicaid_transition/docs/medicare-exempt-drugs.pdf
- https://www.medicare.gov/drug-coverage-part-d
- https://www.medicare.gov/coverage/prescription-drugs-outpatient

Questions regarding billing can be directed to the eMedNY Call center at 1-800-343-9000.

Questions regarding the policy can be directed to the Pharmacy line at 518-486-3209 or by email to ppno@health.ny.gov.