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# PHARMACY & THERAPEUTICS

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## COMMERCIAL COVERAGE UPDATES

JULY 26, 2012

### Women's Preventative Health—Contraceptive Coverage:

**As of August 1, all contraceptives found on Tier 1 will be available at a \$0 copay to members**

- Health Plan of Nevada / Sierra Health & Life will ensure that each unique progestin available in contraceptive products will be represented on Tier 1
- Injectable, oral, emergency and barrier contraceptives will be available on Tier 1
- Some products will be down-tiered to comply with the plan's preventative health initiative
- An updated Preferred Drug List (PDL) with tiering and alternatives will be available on 8/1/12 at [www.healthplanofnevada.com](http://www.healthplanofnevada.com) or [www.sierrahealthandlife.com](http://www.sierrahealthandlife.com)

### Specialty Pharmacy Program

As of August 1, patients will be **required to fill certain specialty medications** through the plan's **designated specialty pharmacy**. Only pharmacy benefit medications (oral and self-administered medications) are affected.

Medication classes affected include, but are not limited to, oral oncology, HIV, multiple sclerosis, rheumatoid arthritis, pulmonary hypertension, hepatitis C, growth hormone.

- ◇ In most cases, the plan's designated pharmacy is Prescription Solutions by OptumRx.
- ◇ Claims not filled at the designated pharmacy will reject after the second fill.
- ◇ Members are to call the **Specialty Pharmacy Referral line at 866-429-8177** for help identifying the specific pharmacy they need to utilize.
- ◇ Web resource available to assist in guiding the process: [www.uhcspecialtyrx.com](http://www.uhcspecialtyrx.com)

Members who are currently filling affected medications have received a letter describing the program. Members who start therapy after August 1 will get a similar letter, describing specialty drug access.

Members requiring specialty injectable medication administration to be completed at SMA Treatment Center will need the medication sent directly to the Treatment Center in conjunction with their appointment. Please refer to Treatment Center (702) 877-5100 for more information

An updated PDL will be available on August 1 showing a designation "SP" to identify drugs that are part of the Specialty Pharmacy Program.

**FOR SMA PROVIDERS:**

TouchWorks pharmacy database has been updated with Prescription Solutions

- ◇ **Prescription Solutions—MEDICARE Mail-Order**
  - Used for Senior Dimensions members for their mail-order benefit
  - This is for all drugs for these members, not just specialty products
  
- ◇ **Prescription Solutions—COMMERCIAL Specialty**
  - Used for Commercial members on specialty products
  - Fax number is 800-853-3844

For questions regarding this facsimile, please contact Pharmacy Services at  
(702) 242-7050 or (800) 925-7455