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MEMORANDUM

To: Alliance Pharmacy Network
From: Provider Services Department
Date: 1/3/13
Subject: Change in Alliance and Medicare D Coverage

PLEASE REVIEW

Starting January 1, 2013 Medicare Part D plans must now cover benzodiazepines. Medicare D must also cover barbiturates used in the treatment of epilepsy, cancer or chronic mental health disorders.

Therefore, effective January 1, 2013 Medi-Cal and the Alliance will no longer cover these medications for these indications for dually-eligible (Medicare / Medi-Cal) members.