

TO: Pharmacies

RE: Client Notification Regarding the Use of A One-Time, 14-day Prior Authorization

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform pharmacies that, in accordance with Section 27(c) of Public Act 12-1, the Department of Social Services (DSS) is issuing a flier to pharmacies for distribution to HUSKY Health, ConnPACE, and Charter Oak clients who receive a onetime, 14-day supply of their prescription medication when prior authorization (PA) is required.

Effective immediately, the attached flier is to be given to the patient each time a 14-day supply of medication is dispensed to notify clients that (1) PA is needed for the prescription to be fully filled, (2) the 14-day supply is a one-time supply, and (3) they must contact the prescriber as soon as possible to arrange for PA for a full prescription to be filled.

PA is required when any new or refill prescription is filled for the first time for a non-preferred product or a brand-name medication when a chemically equivalent generic is available.

Pharmacies have the option to dispense a one-time, 14 day supply of a non-preferred or brand-name medication by entering in all 9's in the *Prior Authorization Number Submitted* field, 462-EV, and a numeric value of "1" in the *Prior Authorization Type* field, 461-EU, of their NCPDP D.0 transaction.

