

Pharmacy and Formulary June 2012

We appreciate your ongoing efforts to provide medical and prescription services to our LA Care Health Plan members. Below are pharmacy updates and how to access important pharmacy forms.

Injectables in the Pharmacy Benefit:

The following medications are under the pharmacy benefit and must be processed through MedImpact and may require Prior Authorization.

- 1. Epinephrine inj
 - Adrenaclick, Adrenalin, Epipen, Epipen Jr, Twinject
- 2. GLP1 inj
- Victoza (liraglutide) & Byetta/Bydureon (exenatide)
- 3. Glucagon HCT (rDNA)
- 4. Insulins
- 5. Sumatriptan (Imitrex)
- 6. Testosterone cyprionate/enthanate
 - Depo-testosterone & Delatestryl
- 7. Low Molecular Heparin
 - Enoxaparin

Medi-Cal Update on Enteral Nutrition Product Benefit Change:

Effective October 1, 2011 the enteral nutrition product not administered through a feeding tube benefit has been limited to members with diagnoses of malabsorption and inborn errors of metabolism. All enteral nutrition not administered through a feeding tube is now under the pharmacy benefit and a Prior Authorization must be submitted to MedImpact using the most updated version of the Medication Request Form (MRF). Enteral nutrition requiring feeding tube should be submitted to Medical Management.

As a reminder, all oral infant formula not administered through a feeding tube is under the pharmacy benefit and a Prior Authorization must be submitted to MedImpact

MedWatch Form:

In order to keep effective drugs and devices available on the market for use by you and your patients, the FDA relies on the voluntary reporting of serious adverse events, product quality problem or product use error that is associated with the use of an FDA-regulated drug, biologic, medical device or dietary supplement. FDA uses these data to maintain our safety surveillance of all FDA-regulated products. Your report may be the



critical action that prompts a modification in use or design of the product, improves the safety profile of the drug or device and leads to increased patient safety.

Please include a copy of the MedWatch form submitted to the FDA of the tried and failure of generic drugs if you are requesting the branded agent, DAW1. You can find the form online at http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch and fax it to 1-800-FDA-0178 or mail the form into the FDA. MedWatch form attached.

How to Access Medication Request Form and MedWatch Form from LACare:

You can download electronic version of the forms through the LA Care website at LACare.org. Or you can call 1-866-522-2736 and a form can be faxed to your office.

There are custom forms for:
Adult Medical Nutrition
Infant Formula
Hepatitis C medications

If you have any questions please feel free to contact L.A. Care Health Plan at 1-888-839-9909.

Thank you for providing care to our members.

