

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING New Informed Consent Requirement for Psychotherapeutic Medication Effective 9/1/2011

This notice is to advise you of information regarding changes to the *UnitedHealthcare Medicaid Pharmacy Program.* We encourage you to read this notice thoroughly and contact United Behavioral Health at 800-582-8220, should you have additional questions.

Informed Consent for Psychotherapeutic Medication Update:

Effective **September 1, 2011**, United Behavioral Health will implement this Bureau of Pharmacy Services legislative directive as follows:

- 1. The prescriber must complete either the Medicaid "Informed Consent for Psychotherapeutic Medication" attestation form or provide a court order for the medication. The form can be found at the link listed below.
- 2. The completed form must be presented to the pharmacy with every **new** prescription for a psychotherapeutic medication. "**NEW**" means every time a new prescription number is assigned, and includes all new prescriptions including same drug / same dose prescriptions for continuing therapy.
- 3. Prescriptions may be phoned in or emailed for these medications when the child is younger than 13. However, pharmacists will need to obtain a completed consent form from the prescriber via fax, mail, online or from the guardian, prior to dispensing.

If a prescription with remaining refills is transferred to another pharmacy, the consent form should be transferred to the new pharmacy, along with the prescription, to facilitate claim processing. Otherwise, the receiving pharmacy should obtain a new consent form.

The completed form must be filed with the prescription (hardcopy or imaged) in the pharmacy and held for audit purposes, for a minimum of five years.

Prescription refills where the original script was filled prior to September 1st will not be denied. However, pharmacies may not add refills to old prescriptions to circumvent the need for an updated informed consent form.

PLEASE NOTE: The informed consent forms do not replace prior authorization requirements for non-PDL medications or prior authorized antipsychotics for children and adolescents from 0 through 17 years of age.

Psychotropic (**Psychotherapeutic**) **Medications** include antipsychotics, antidepressants, antianxiety medications, and mood stabilizers. Anticonvulsants and ADHD medications (stimulants and non-stimulants) are not included at this time. The generic names of those medications subject to the informed consent are listed below.

Alprazolam	Dexmedetomidine	Maprotiline	Risperidone
Amitriptyline	Doxepin	Meprobamate	Secobarbital
Amobarbital	Droperidol	Mirtazapine	Selegiline
Amoxapine	Duloxetine	Modafinil	Sertraline
Aripiprazole	Escitalopram	Molindone	Sodium Oxybate
Armodafinil	Estazolam	Nefazodone	Temazepam
Asenapine	Eszopiclone	Nortriptyline	Thioridazine
Bupropion	Equetro	Olanzapine	Thiothixene
Buspirone	Fluoxetine	Oxazepam	Tranylcypromine
Butabarbital	Fluphenazine	Paliperidone	Trazodone
Chlordiazepoxide	Flurazepam	Paroxetine	Triazolam
Chlorpromazine	Fluvoxamine	Perphenazine	Trifluoperazine
Citalopram	Haloperidol	Phenelzine	Trimipramine
Clomipramine	Iloperidone	Pimozide	Venlafaxine
Clorazepate	Imipramine	Protriptyline	Vilazodone
Clozapine	Isocarboxazid	Quazepam	Zaleplon
Desipramine	Lithium	Quetiapine	Ziprasidone
Desvenlafaxine	Loxapine	Ramelteon	Zolpidem
	Lurasidone		

This list is maintained by AHCA. Please review the provider alerts section on AHCA's website for more information.

http://portal.flmmis.com/FLPublic/Provider_Provi

Link to the forms: http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/Prescribed_Drug/med_resource.shtml

Your assistance in working with families and prescribers to obtain the necessary documentation, especially in the early phases of implementation of this new legislation is appreciated. Thank you for your participation in UnitedHealthcare, and your commitment to assist our patients.

Should you have any questions or require assistance, please contact the United Behavioral Health
Provider Services Team.
Thank you for your continued support

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