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District of Columbia

To: All AmeriHealth Caritas DC Providers
From: Charlene Fairfax, RPh, CDE, Senior Pharmacist
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Subject: Important pharmacy update regarding HIV antiretroviral medications

AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia (“AmeriHealth Caritas DC”) received the following message from the Department of Health Care Finance and Charlene Fairfax, RPh, CDE, Senior Pharmacist.

TO ALL MEDICAID PHARMACY PROVIDERS:

Effective **April 30, 2016**, all District of Columbia (DC) Medicaid members including those who are enrolled in any of the District’s Managed Care plans may obtain their HIV antiretroviral medications from **any** District of Columbia Medicaid Fee for Service (FFS) pharmacy provider. This change will greatly expand access to HIV antiretroviral medications by making them available through all District of Columbia Medicaid Fee for Service pharmacy providers.

Note that HIV antiretroviral claims should be adjudicated through the pharmacy Point of Service (POS) system as FFS claims and will be reimbursed in accordance with standard FFS pricing methodology.

We are excited to be able to provide this expansion of access and look forward to your participation in offering these medications and counseling services to all Medicaid beneficiaries living with HIV/AIDS.

Please be reminded that all DC Medicaid Managed Care plan members may continue to fill prescriptions for other than HIV antiretroviral medications at **any** pharmacy that participates in that particular plan’s pharmacy network.

Feel free to contact Charlene Fairfax, RPh, CDE, Senior Pharmacist at 202-442-9076 or charlene.fairfax@dc.gov, if you have questions or require more information about this important change in the way antiretroviral medications are dispensed.