



**AmeriHealth Caritas™**  
District of Columbia

**To:** All AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia Providers

**Date:** April 12, 2017

**Subject: Reminder: Members Eligible for 12-Month Supply of Oral Contraceptive**

**Summary:** Pharmacies may dispense up to 12 months of a member's prescription for contraception at one time. Please share this information with your patients and update any active prescriptions.

**Background:**

The District of Columbia Access to Contraceptives Amendment Act of 2015 amended the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Federal Law Conformity Act of 2000 to require an individual or group health benefit plan and a health insurer offering health care coverage that provides coverage for prescription drugs to provide benefits that allow for dispensing up to 12 months of a member's prescription for contraception at one time.

Beginning in early 2016, AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia (DC) authorized participating pharmacies to dispense up to 12 months of a prescription at one time for contraceptives.

**Impact:**

Access to a 12-month supply applies to both Medicaid and Alliance members. Please see the [AmeriHealth Caritas DC Formulary](#) for a full list of covered contraceptives.

**Action Needed:**

Prescribers may write prescriptions for contraceptive medicines for 12 months to be filled at pharmacies in the AmeriHealth Caritas DC network. Please inform your patients using prescription contraceptives.

**Questions:**

If you have questions about this communication, please contact your AmeriHealth Caritas DC Provider Network Account Executive or Provider Services at 202-408-2237 or 1-888-656-2383.