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IHCP COVID-19 Response: IHCP updates Pharmacy benefit PA expiration dates

In further response to the national public health emergency for the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) is implementing a change regarding pharmacy benefit prior authorization (PA) expiration dates, effective for PAs with expiration dates of June 1, 2020, through August 31, 2020.

Three-month extensions have been added to PAs with expiration dates in June, July, and August 2020 (excluding opioids and hepatitis C drugs). This change requires no additional action by the member or pharmacy. PAs with expiration dates on or after September 1, 2020, will need to be renewed.

This policy change applies to pharmacy benefits delivered under both the fee-for-service (FFS) and managed care delivery system. The IHCP will continue to monitor events and will make additional changes as necessary.

For more information, direct FFS questions to the OptumRx Clinical and Technical Help Desk by calling toll-free 1-855-577-6317. For questions regarding pharmacy benefits for members enrolled in the Healthy Indiana Plan (HIP), Hoosier Healthwise, and Hoosier Care Connect, refer to the managed care entity (MCE) with which the member is enrolled.



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