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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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Limitations

6.d Medication Therapy Counseling

1. The Department will contract with qualified pharmacists to perform a medication therapy counseling session with eligible Medical Assistance Program clients.
2. The medication therapy counseling sessions are intended to
 - i) Achieve drug therapy treatment goals;
 - ii) Minimize undesirable medication effects;
 - iii) Improve client medication adherence;
 - iv) Enhance medication safety; and
 - v) Reduce health expenditures.
3. The counseling session must be conducted face-to-face unless the client is unable or refuses to meet in person or lives outside of a reasonable travel distance from the consulting pharmacist, then the counseling session may be conducted by telephone.
4. The Department shall distribute the pharmacist's report documenting the counseling session to the client and client's providers.

Client Eligibility and Selection

1. The medication therapy counseling sessions are available to fee-for-service Medical Assistance Program clients, participation is voluntary
2. Clients must have paid claims for at least five medications in three consecutive months.
3. Clients may receive only one counseling session per year.
4. Eligible clients are identified through a data query performed by the Department or
5. Complex clients may be referred to the Department for inclusion in the program by a licensed, practicing physician, advanced practice nurse or physician's assistant.
6. The Department refers eligible clients who meet medical necessity criteria to participating pharmacists.
7. The Department shall send a letter to selected clients that states the service, indicates participation is voluntary and names the pharmacist who will be contacting them to schedule the counseling session.

Pharmacist Duties

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1. Review the client's profile provided by the Department.
2. Contact the client to schedule a mutually agreeable location and time for the counseling session.
3. During the course of the counseling session, the pharmacist shall.
 - i) Review the client's profile with the client for accuracy and inquire as to any additional medications, providers or disease states;
 - ii) Perform a medication review to identify, resolve and prevent medication related problems; and
 - iii) Provide education and training designed to enhance the client's understanding and appropriate use of the client's medications and compliance with their therapeutic regimen.
4. Draft and submit a report to the Department which documents the counseling session and includes recommended changes to the client's medication therapy and any other information providers may find relevant to the appropriate treatment of the client's health.

Pharmacist Qualifications

1. Participating pharmacists must have and maintain an unrestricted license in good standing to practice pharmacy in Colorado; and
2. Maintain liability insurance; and
3. Meet one of the following qualifications:
 - i). Proof of completion of a pharmacy practice residency accredited by the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists or the American Pharmaceutical Association in the specialty being practiced; or
 - ii) Completion of a certificate program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education in each area of practice, and 40 hours of onsite supervised clinical practice and training in each area in which the pharmacist is choosing to practice; or
 - iii) Completion of at least 40 hours of ACPE approved continuing education regarding clinical practice and 40 hours of onsite supervised clinical practice and training in the area in which the pharmacist is choosing to practice; or
 - iv) Current Board specialty certification from the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties, current certification from the

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- National Institute for Standards in Pharmacist Credentialing, or current certification from the Commission for Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy. Such credentials must be in the area of pharmacy practice undertaken in the drug therapy management; or
- v) All of the following criteria shall be met in order to practice drug therapy management:
- (1) Forty (40) hours of onsite supervised clinical practice and training in the area(s) in which the pharmacist is choosing to practice;
 - (2) Documented competency of each area of practice in which the pharmacist is choosing to practice.

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METHODS AND STANDARD FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES
FOR THE COLORADO PRESCRIPTION DRUG INFORMATION
AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Consultations provided under the Prescription Drug Information and Technical Assistance Program are reimbursed on a fee-for-service basis per unit of service per practitioner. A unit of service consists of one documented meeting of any length with a client and documented follow-up with the client's physicians.

The cost includes only Medicaid allowable costs. The cost used to derive the rate is based on a regional market survey.

All governmental and private providers are reimbursed according to the same published fee schedule, which is published at <http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite?c=Page&cid=1244207387794&pagename=HCPF%2FHCPFLayout>. The Department's rate was set as of May 1, 2008 and is effective for services on or after that date.

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