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MEDICAID DRUG REBATE PROGRAM

Release Number 32

*** * * IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED * * ***

NOTE TO: All State Medicaid Directors

LABELER CONTACT FILE CHANGES

Attached is a new record layout for the labeler contact file that is the second data set on your quarterly pricing tape/cartridge. Two changes were made to the file: 1) The term "financial data" was replaced with "invoice data;" and 2) The field in position 798 is new and indicates which labeler record is active when a terminated labeler is reinstated.

As you know, we advised you to always send your invoices to the person shown as the technical contact unless we notified you to use someone else. Several State Medicaid personnel requested that we add an "invoice contact" to the labeler file. Since the financial contact was seldom used, we decided to redefine it as the invoice contact data. With the initial exception of eight labeler codes, the technical contact was included as the invoice contact.

This change will be effective for the quarterly pricing tape or cartridge you receive in November for the third calendar quarter of 1993.

REVISED UNIT TYPES

In Release Number 29 dated May 11, 1993, we announced our intent to revise the number of unit types from 18 to 8 including EACH (EA) as a new unit type. Labelers affected by this change are currently evaluating a listing which shows their old and new unit types per drug product. They were asked to submit their comments to us no later than September 30, 1993.

This change will take place for the calendar quarter beginning January 1, 1994.

WEEKLY U.S. TREASURY BILL DISCOUNT RATE

Included with this release is the latest listing of the 90 day treasury bill auction rates for the period of February 22, 1993 through September 13, 1993.

NEW LABELER CODES

The following labelers have signed rebate agreements and will be joining the program effective January 1, 1994:

Pennex Pharmaceuticals, Incorporated (Labeler Code 00426);

Swiss American Products, Incorporated (Labeler Code 60232).

DRUG LABELER REINSTATEMENT

Genetco, Incorporated (Labeler Code 00302) has submitted missing drug prices for all quarters ending on or before June 30, 1993 and has signed a new rebate agreement. Their next period of participation in the drug rebate program will begin on January 1, 1994.

DRUG LABELER TERMINATION

Esquire Pharmaceuticals, Incorporated (Labeler Code 55629) appears to be out of business. Drug prices for the second calendar quarter of 1993 were not submitted; correspondence was returned by the postal service with the annotation "MOVED LEFT NO ADDRESS;" and the telephone number was disconnected. You are cautioned not to purchase drug products packaged by this company as we are terminating this labeler effective October 1, 1993.

Copies of the topic index and the latest State Tape Status Report are attached.

CLARIFICATION

In Release Number 31, we mentioned that FFP is not available for American Generics drug products during the third calendar quarter of 1993. We should have added that this pertains to drug claims with dates of service during that period.

Please continue to contact us with your drug rebate questions by using the Drug Rebate hotline at (410) 966-3249.



for
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Director
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4 Attachments

cc:

All State Technical Contacts

All Regional Administrators

All Associate Regional Administrators for Medicaid

HCFA RECORD LAYOUT
LABELER CONTACT FILE

Field	Size	Position	Remarks
Labeler Code	5	1 - 5	NDC #1
Labeler Name	39	6 - 44	Manufacturer name
Effective Date	6	45 - 50	MMDDYY
Termination Date	6	51 - 56	MMDDYY
Legal Contact Name	39	57 - 95	Name of Legal Contact
Legal Corporation	39	96 - 134	Corporation name
Legal Address #1	39	135 - 173	Address line 1
Legal Address #2	39	174 - 212	Address line 2
Legal Address #3	39	213 - 251	Address line 3
Legal City	27	252 - 278	
Legal State	2	279 - 280	
Legal Zip	9	281 - 289	X(9)
Legal Phone	14	290 - 303	X(14) Area Code, Num, Ext.
Invoice Contact	39	304 - 342	Name of Invoice Contact
Invoice Corp.	39	343 - 381	Corporation name
Invoice Address 1	39	382 - 420	Address Line 1
Invoice Address 2	39	421 - 459	Address Line 2
Invoice Address 3	39	460 - 498	Address Line 3
Invoice City	27	499 - 525	
Invoice State	2	526 - 527	
Invoice Zip	9	528 - 536	X(9)
Invoice Phone	14	537 - 550	X(14) Area Code, Num, Ext.
Technical Name	39	551 - 589	Name of Technical Contact
Technical Corp.	39	590 - 628	Corporation Name
Technical Address 1	39	629 - 667	Address Line 1
Technical Address 2	39	668 - 706	Address Line 2
Technical Address 3	39	707 - 745	Address Line 3
Technical City	27	746 - 772	
Technical State	2	773 - 774	
Technical Zip	9	775 - 783	X(9)
Technical Phone	14	784 - 797	X(14) Area Code, Num, Ext.
Active Indicator	1	798 - 798	0=Old, 1=Currently Active
Carriage Return	1	799 - 799	
Line Feed	1	800 - 800	

Logical Record Length = 800

Block Size = 23200

Dataset Name = FOREIGN.FCCART.LABELER.CONTACT (for Cartridges)
FOREIGN.FSTAPE.LABELER.CONTACT (for Tapes)

* Labeler Contact file is second physical file on rebate tape.

WEEKLY U.S. TREASURY BILL DISCOUNT RATE

The latest weekly 90-day treasury bill auction rates beginning with February 22, 1993, are as follows:

DATE OF AUCTION	TRUE DISCOUNT RATE
02/22/93	3.023
03/01/93	3.035
03/08/93	3.043
03/15/93	3.064
03/22/93	3.003
03/29/93	3.023
04/07/93	2.982
04/12/93	2.954
04/19/93	2.880
04/26/93	2.941
05/03/93	2.941
04/07/93	2.982
05/17/93	3.064
05/24/93	3.125
06/01/93	3.149
06/07/93	3.210
06/14/93	3.137
06/21/93	3.170
06/28/93	3.117
07/06/93	3.076
07/12/93	3.104
07/19/93	3.117
07/26/93	3.170
08/02/93	3.170
08/09/93	3.115
08/16/93	3.096
08/23/93	3.087
08/30/93	3.084
09/07/93	3.015
09/13/93	3.043

STATE TAPES STATUS REPORT

STATE	1/91	2/91	3/91	4/91	1/92	2/92	3/92	4/92	1/93	ALL QTRS
TX	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
UT	R	X	X	X	X	X	X	X*	X	
VA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X*		
VT	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WA	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WI	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WV	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
WY	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
TOTAL	47(45)	49(49)	49(49)	50(48)	49(49)	50(50)	49(49)	48(48)	44(44)	37

* - Tapes received since last (9/7/93) Report.

X - Files processed; good data.

R - Files rejected and must be corrected.

U - State is unable to generate and submit tapes for this Quarter.

Totals shown in parentheses indicate number of usable tapes received.