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To: All Health Carriers

Re: Lifting of Prescription Medication Refill Waiver and the Waiver of the Time Restrictions on the Replacement of Durable Medical Equipment or Supplies, Eyeglasses, and Dentures

On September 10, 2018, Governor Larry Hogan issued Executive Order 01.01.2018.22 declaring a State of Emergency. On September 11, 2018, pursuant to COMAR 31.01.02.05, Insurance Commissioner Al Redmer, Jr., through Bulletin 18-17 activated the following emergency regulations for all health insurance carriers in the state:

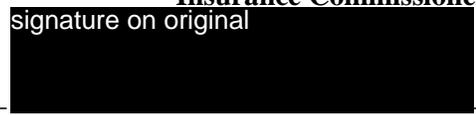
- A. COMAR 31.01.02.06A(3) required all health insurance carriers in the state to waive any time restrictions on prescription medication refills and authorize payment to pharmacies that fill prescriptions for residents of Maryland for at least a 30 day supply of any prescription medication, regardless of the date upon which the prescription medication had most recently been filled: and
- B. COMAR 31.02.06A(4) required all health insurance carriers in the state to waive any time restrictions on the replacement of durable medical equipment or supplies, eyeglasses, and dentures for Maryland residents.

The State of Emergency has been lifted; therefore, pursuant to COMAR 31.01.02.02, the waivers set forth above are no longer in effect.

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