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To: All Health Carriers

Re: Prescription Medication Refills and the Replacement of Durable Medical Equipment or Supplies, Eyeglasses, and Dentures

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On May 15, 2025, Governor Wes Moore issued Executive Order 01.01.2025.12 declaring a State of Emergency for Allegany and Garrett Counties. Accordingly, pursuant to COMAR 31.01.02.05, the Insurance Commissioner activated emergency regulation COMAR 31.01.02.06A(3), which required health carriers to waive any time restrictions on prescription medication refills and authorize payment to pharmacies that fill prescriptions for the residents of Allegany and Garrett Counties 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. "The Insurance Commissioner also activated emergency regulation COMAR 31.01.02.06A(4), which required health carriers to waive any time restrictions on the replacement of durable medical equipment or supplies, eyeglasses, and dentures for residents of Allegany and Garrett Counties. Both of these waivers for time restrictions shall stand while the state of emergency remains in effect.

On June 13, 2025, Governor Moore issued Executive Order 01.01.2025.12 extending the State of Emergency. As such Bulletin 25-7 remains in effect.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. Any questions regarding this Bulletin should be directed to David Cooney, Associate Commissioner, Life & Health, at (410) 468-2215 or **david.cooney@maryland.gov** or Patricia Dorn, Associate Commissioner, Consumer Education & Advocacy at (410) 370-7075 or **patricia.dorn@maryland.gov**.

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