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## **Medicaid Benefits and Health Programs Group**

March 18, 2025

Judy Mohr Peterson, PhD State of Hawaii Department of Human Services Office of the Director P.O. Box 339 Honolulu, Hawaii 96809-0339

Dear Judy Mohr Peterson,

We have reviewed Hawaii's State Plan Amendment (SPA) 25-0003 received in the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) OneMAC application on December 27, 2024. This SPA updates the payment methodology for prescribed drugs and allows for coverage of drugs authorized for import by the Food and Drug Administration to mitigate the effects of a drug shortage.

Based on the information provided and consistent with the regulations at 42 CFR 430.20, we are pleased to inform you that HI-25-0003 is approved with an effective date of January 1, 2025.

We are attaching a copy of the signed CMS-179 form, as well as the pages approved for incorporation into Hawaii's state plan. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact Whitney Swears at 410-786-6543 or via email at Whitney.Swears@cms.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Cynthia R. Denemark Director

Division of Pharmacy

cc: Brian Zolynas, CMS, Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group Jodeen Wai, State of Hawaii, Department of Human Services Ranjani Starr, Ph.D., State of Hawaii, Department of Human Services

TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF STATE PLAN MATERIAL FOR: CENTERS FOR MEDICARE & MEDICAID SERVICES  TO: CENTER DIRECTOR CENTERS FOR MEDICAID & CHIP SERVICES	1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER  2 5 0 0 0 3 HI  3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT XIX XXI  4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE  01/01/2025
5. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION 1902 (a)(10), 1927	6. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT (Amounts in WHOLE dollars) a. FFY 2024 \$ 0 b. FFY 2025 \$ 0
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Cynthia R. Denemark	Director, Division of Pharmacy
22. REMARKS	

12a. Effective January 1, 2006, the Medicaid agency will not cover any Part D drug for full-benefit dual eligible individuals who are entitled to receive Medicare benefits under Part A and Part B.

Prescribed drugs must be listed in the Hawaii Medicaid Drug Formulary. All other prescribed drugs require prior authorization.

Select prescribed drugs when medically necessary: Select prescribed drugs that are not covered outpatient drugs (including drugs authorized for import by the Food and Drug Administration) are also covered when medically necessary during drug shortages identified by the Food and Drug Administration.

(1) Those drug products produced by manufacturers who have entered into and comply with an agreement under Section 1927(a) of the Act may be considered for payment by being listed in the Hawaii Medicaid Drug Formulary or may require prior authorization approval. Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 1396r-8(d)(5), certain medications may require prior authorization.

The Medicaid agency does not provide coverage for the following excluded or otherwise restricted drugs or classes of drugs or their medical uses, subject to restriction under 1927, to all Medicaid beneficiaries, including full benefit dual eligible beneficiaries under the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit-Part D.

The following excluded drugs are not covered:

- a. Used for cosmetic purposes of hair growth;
- With associated tests or monitoring purchased exclusively from the manufacturer or designee as a condition of sale;
- c. Which classes as "less than effective" as described in Section 107(c)(3) of the Drug Amendments of 1962 or are identical, similar or related; and
- d. Agents used to promote fertility.
- (2) The Medicaid agency provides coverage for the following excluded or otherwise restricted drugs or classes of drugs, or their medical uses to all Medicaid beneficiaries, including under the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit- Part D.

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The payment to an emergency room physician for the screening and assessment of a patient who receives who receives non-emergency care in the emergency room shall not exceed the payment for a problem focused history, examination, and straight forward medical decision making.

- r. The upper limits on payments for non-institutional items and services shall be established by the department in accordance with the section 346-59, Hawaii Revised Statute (HRS), and other applicable state statutes.
- s. Medicaid reimbursement for behavioral services provided by the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division (CAMHD) under Department of Health (DOH) shall be reimbursed in accordance with the fee schedule described in Supplement 3 to Attachment 4.19-B.

If there are services provided by CAMHD that are not listed on the CAMHD Fee Schedule in Supplement 3 to Attachment 4.19-B, reimbursement rates are located on the Medicaid Fee Schedule at https://medquest.hawaii.gov/en/plans-providers/fee-for-service/fee-schedules.html in accordance to agreements between CAMHD and MQD.

- 3. PAYMENT FOR COVERED OUTPATIENT DRUGS, PRESCRIBED DRUGS AND PROFESSIONAL DISPENSING FEES.
  - a. Payment for Covered Outpatient Drugs and Prescribed Drugs:
    - Payment for ingredient cost of covered outpatient drugs and prescribed drugs:
      - A. For single source drugs, reimbursement shall be the lowest of:
        - The submitted ingredient cost, plus a professional dispensing fee;
        - ii. The provider's usual and customary charge to the general public;
        - iii. The Wholesale Acquisition Cost (WAC), plus a professional dispensing fee; or
        - iv. The National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC), plus a professional dispensing fee.
      - B. For multiple source drugs, reimbursement shall be the lowest of:
        - The submitted ingredient cost, plus a professional dispensing fee;
        - ii. The provider's usual and customary charge to the general public;
        - iii. WAC, plus a professional dispensing fee;

        - v. The State Maximum Allowable Cost (SMAC), plus a professional dispensing fee; or
        - vi. The NADAC, plus a professional dispensing fee.
      - C. 340B-purchased drugs shall be reimbursed at the 340B submitted ingredient cost but no more than the 340B Ceiling Price, plus a professional dispensing fee.
        - i. Drugs acquired through the federal 340B drug pricing program and dispensed by 340B contract pharmacies are not covered unless the 340B contract pharmacy requests in writing and receives approval from the state to use these drugs for Medicaid beneficiaries.

- E. For physician administered drugs, reimbursement shall be the lowest of:
  - i. The submitted ingredient cost;
  - ii. The provider's usual and customary charge to the general public;
  - iii. WAC;
  - iv. FUL price;
  - v. SMAC; or
  - vi. The NADAC.
- F. For drugs not dispensed by a retail community pharmacy (Such as specialty drugs, primarily through the mail, or in a long-term care facility), reimbursement shall be the lowest of:
  - The submitted ingredient cost, plus a professional dispensing fee;
  - ii. The provider's usual and customary charge to the general
     public;
  - iii. WAC, plus a professional dispensing fee;
  - iv. FUL price, plus a professional dispensing fee;
  - v. SMAC, plus a professional dispensing fee; or
  - vi. The NADAC, plus a professional dispensing fee.
- G. Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) purchased drugs will be reimbursed at their actual acquisition cost, plus a professional dispensing fee.
- H. Drugs acquired at nominal price (outside of 340B or FSS) will be reimbursed at their actual acquisition cost, plus a professional dispensing fee.
- Experimental drugs and drugs not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration are not covered.
- J. Select prescribed drugs that do not meet the definition of covered outpatient drugs will be reimbursed at the same rate as covered outpatient drugs.