December 11, 2019

RE: South Dakota Department of Social Services Pharmacy Cost of Dispensing Survey

Dear Medicaid Pharmacy Provider:

The South Dakota Department of Social Services (DSS) will be conducting a survey of the cost of dispensing prescriptions to South Dakota Medicaid recipients. In order to obtain the most accurate information, all South Dakota Medicaid enrolled pharmacy providers should participate in the upcoming cost of dispensing survey. The information obtained through this survey will be used by DSS to evaluate the professional dispensing fee used within the reimbursement methodology for the Medicaid pharmacy program.

The South Dakota Department of Social Services has contracted with the firm of Myers and Stauffer LC to conduct the cost of dispensing survey. Myers and Stauffer is a national accounting and consulting firm that specializes in assisting State Medicaid agencies on provider reimbursement and other issues. Myers and Stauffer has conducted over 100 cost of dispensing surveys in more than 30 states.

Survey packets, including instructions, will be mailed by Myers and Stauffer in January 2020. Myers and Stauffer will also host informational meetings via a web and phone-based platform to share information with providers about completing the cost of dispensing survey. At these meetings, Myers and Stauffer will present more details about the survey process, discuss what information is being requested, and answer questions regarding the survey form. Meeting registration information will be included in the survey packet.

Important Dates:

- Cost of Dispensing Surveys Mailed to Pharmacies: January 7, 2020
- Informational Meeting #1: January 14, 2020
- Informational Meeting #2: January 16, 2020
- Cost of Dispensing Survey Due Date: February 18, 2020
To contact Myers and Stauffer regarding the survey:

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Questions or comments for DSS may be directed to Mike Jockheck, RPh at (605) 773-3495.

Sincerely,

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