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IHCP changes pharmacy benefits and Emergency Department Autopay List in response to COVID-19

In response to the national public health emergency associated with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) is implementing changes regarding pharmacy benefits and the *Emergency Department Autopay List*.

Changes made to pharmacy supply limits and early refills

Effective March 18, 2020, the IHCP is implementing the following changes to pharmacy benefits:

- Allow 90-day supply of maintenance drugs (upon member request)
- Allow early refills for noncontrolled substances (members should work with their pharmacies to request an early refill)



These changes apply to pharmacy benefits delivered under both the fee-for-service (FFS) and managed care delivery system. These changes will allow members to have access to an adequate supply of medication without needing to leave home during this viral outbreak. The IHCP will continue to monitor events and will make additional changes as necessary.

Diagnosis codes added to Emergency Department Autopay List

The IHCP is adding the following diagnosis codes to the managed care health plan *Emergency Department Autopay List,* accessible from the <u>Code Sets</u> page at in.gov/medicaid/providers:

- B97.29 Other coronavirus as the cause of diseases classified elsewhere
- Z20.828 Contact with and suspected exposure to other viral communicable diseases

These diagnosis codes are also considered "emergency" diagnosis codes for fee-for-service (FFS) claims. For information on the *Emergency Department Autopay List*, see *IHCP Bulletin* <u>BT202009</u>.

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