



INDIANA MEDICAID UPDATE

June 29, 1998

TO: All Indiana Medicaid Prescribing Practitioners and Pharmacy Providers

SUBJECT: Viagra -Indiana Medicaid Coverage Status

OMPP has been involved in a continuing and extensive review of whether the new drug product Viagra (sildenafil citrate, Pfizer) will be covered by Indiana Medicaid. As a result of this review, we have concluded that this new drug is effectively comparable to drugs that promote fertility. Because those drugs are not required to be covered by Medicaid under federal law and are not covered under state regulations, we have determined that Viagra **will not** be covered by Indiana Medicaid. Therefore, this bulletin is to notify you that effective for claims with a dispense date of July 1, 1998 and later, Viagra will no longer be eligible for Medicaid reimbursement.

If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact EDS Provider Assistance at 1-800-577-1278.