

## NEW HAMPSHIRE MEDICAID PHARMACY PROGRAM



**TO:** New Hampshire Medicaid Providers

**FROM:** New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services

**DATE:** December 6, 2012

SUBJECT: New Hampshire Medicaid Changes in Coverage of Benzodiazepines and

Barbiturates for Dual Eligibles

Effective January 1, 2013, New Hampshire Medicaid will no longer pay for benzodiazepines and barbiturates for recipients who have both Medicare and Medicaid coverage (dual eligibles). These classes of drugs will be covered by their Medicare Part D plan effective January 1, 2013. These claims will deny with transaction message "Bill to Medicare Part D plan". Medicare Part D plans will cover benzodiazepines for all conditions and barbiturates for epilepsy, cancer or a chronic mental health condition.

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