

PACE/CRDP/SPBP

PROVIDER BULLETIN

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MEDICARE PART D 90 DAY SUPPLY

PRESCRIPTION REFILL EDIT

Currently the Program permits a prescription to be refilled five (5) times within six (6) months, whichever occurs first, from the date of the original fill. Cardholders using only PACE or having a primary that only permits a thirty day supply, usually have their chronic medication prescriptions last six months.

Recently, the Department has been requested by providers to revisit the six month limitation for those cardholders using a Medicare Part D plan that permits a 90 days supply. Since the Program uses the date of the original fill to calculate the 6 months, a claim may exceed the Program's 6 month limitation on the third refill. The result can be that the Medicare Part D plan accepts the claim; the Program denies it and the cardholder receives a bill far in excess of the expected copay.

To address this problem for those cardholders enrolled in a Medicare Part D prescription plan that dispenses a 90 days supply, effective August 1, 2013, this edit will track only the number of refills dispensed for the prescription number. The 6 month refill limit edit for these claims will be suppressed.

Questions may be directed to Provider Services at 1-800-835-4080.